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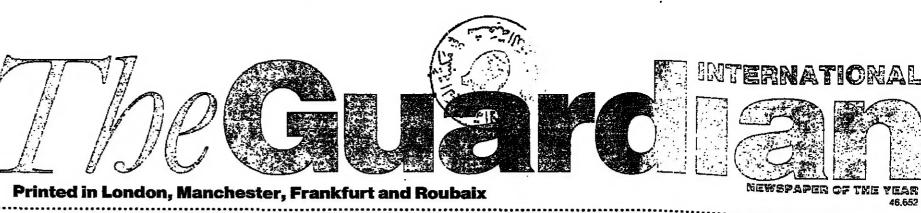
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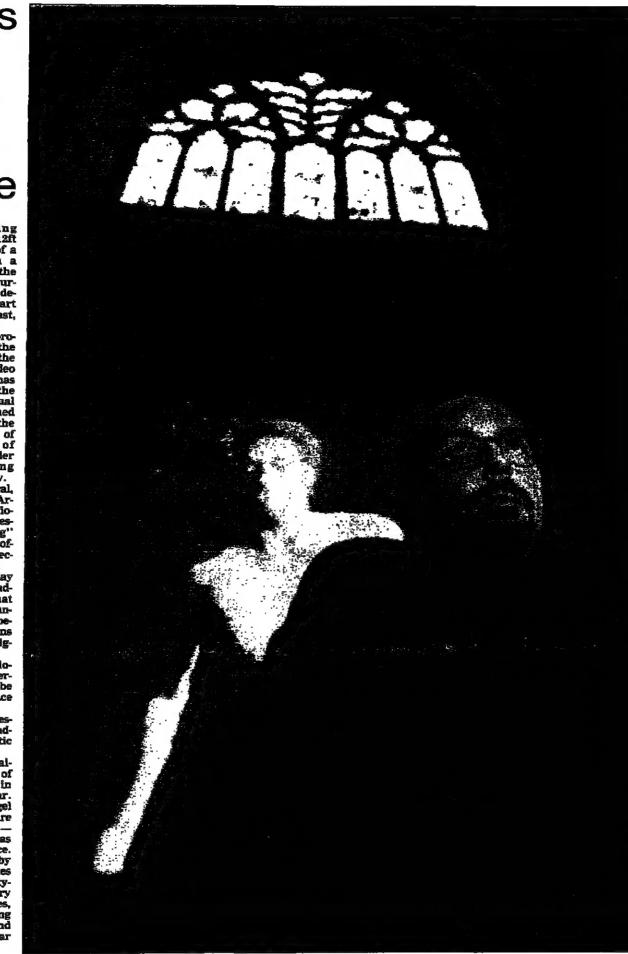
Screens go up around nude in the nave

Screens are being placed around a 12ft high video image of a naked man floating in a tank of water to spare the blushes of visitors to Durbam Cathedral — and de-fuse the latest public art row to hit the North-east, writes Clairc Armitstead.

The image, which is pro-jected on a screen in the nave of the cathedral, is the work of American video artist Bill Viola and has been installed as part of the North-east's Year of Visual Arts. It was commissioned by the Chaplaincy for the Arts in the North-east of England at a cost of £198,000, with just under half the money coming from the National Lottery.

The dean of the cathedral the Very Reverend John Ar-nold, said he found Mr Viola's work, called The Messenger, "deeply moving" and did not find anything of-fensive in it, though he recognised that others might. On returning from holiday yesterday, he took legal ad-vice before deciding that the work should remain unnsored but concealed behind screens. Earlier plans to impose an electronic figleaf were abandoned.

Mr Viola remains philosophical: "I can well under stand why people would be nervous. This is their place



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Blair faces scorn over tax switch

Michael White and Erlend Clouston

Labour leader, Tony Blair, last night Tony backed his embattled Scottish spokesman.

George Robertson, in the face England. of a torrent of anger, ridicule and resignation calls that fol-lowed abandonment of a devo-lution policy which was just six days old. Less than a week after Labour's divided Scottish ex-

ecutive endorsed Mr Blair's two-question referendum plan, Mr Robertson revealed that he wanted to drop the Robertson had been betrayed idea of a second referendum on the tax issue which had been appended to clinch last by Mr Blair, much as happened when the original ref-Saturday's majority. erendum U-turn was imposed The U-turn is the third de-

on Scots activists on June 26. Mr Forsyth yesterday told Radio 4's World at One: "We volution policy rafinement in just over two months and it stunned Labour activists north of the border. Relief at the ditching of the

Radio 4's World at One: "We had George Robertson chal-lenging the Prime Minister to respond to their new policy on Tuesday, and almost be-fore we had time to answer they had changed the policy. I think he has been betrayed by his loader." almost universally decided second referendum was matched by fury at the evi-dence of Walworth Road's contempt for the rulings of its his leader

Behind the manoeuvres are Labour fears that Mr Major will use the issue to arouse English concern that New Labour is still a high tax

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For that reason many prodevolution Scots suspected Mr Blair had engineered a referendum with a tax question precisely so that voters

Last night Mr Blair's office said: "Tony is 100 per cent be-hind George. This initiative has come from George, and Tony gives him his full support. Tony is very happy with what's happened today." Mr Forsyth claimed Labour's policy on devolution was in "an extraordinary shambles." He said Mr Debatter her her her her with

or comma. The Liberal Democrat spokesman on Scottish affairs Jim Wallace, claimed Labour had "driven themselves into a cul-de-sac and they are trying now to get out".

Ian Smart. secretary of the pro-home rule grouping. Scot-tish Labour Action. which led the campaign against the second referendum which produced last Saturday's contentious compromise, said: "We regard this as a move in the right direction: two questions is clearly better than

Mr Sarwar, the executive

storm, he nonetheless paid a barsh price at the end of a week in which John Major visited Glasgow to warn that Labour's proposed Scottish assembly, with its power to party.

levy a 3p in the pound "tartan tax", would jeopardise revived prosperity and the 300-year-old union with

would reject it. Mr Robertson dismissed

such talk. "We listened to the people and there was no support for the idea of the second referendum," he said. "The policy for devolution was de-signed in Scotland and it hasn't been changed one dot

after all." After Durham, The Mes-senger may tour before finding a home at the old Baltic Flour Mills in Gateshead. The North-east has already been at the centre of rows over investment in contemporary art this year. Antony Gormley's Angel of the North — a huge figure overlooking Gateshead was dismissed by critics as an eyesore and a disgrace. Last week, an application by another American. James Turrell, to design a "sky-" in a disused quarry and fly-tip in the Pennines, was turned down after being attacked in the tabloids and subjected to a local smear campaign.

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Sue Quinn

ACTIM support groups

for a review of the way rape trials are conducted after a

Japanese student was forced

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tences of up to 10 years. The case, in which the vic-

tim was cross-examined by barristers representing each of her five attackers over a

record 12 days, prompted calls for the Bar Council to

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The young men yesterday received sentences of between

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and women's organisa-tions last night called

Artist Bill Viola and his video in Durham Cathedral: 'I understand why people would be nervous' PHOTOGRAPH. WILL WALKER

Scottish executive. Senior ministers, including

He added: "This policy has | three. been made in Islington and the Deputy Prime Minister, Michael Heseltine, and the Scottish Secretary, Michael Forsyth, who will renew calls for Mr Robertson's dismissal

at a Tory "rally for the union" in Perth today, were joined in their condemnation son accept Saturday's second by scornful Scottish Nationalreferendum idea, proposed by ists and dismayed Liberal Mohammed Sarwar, Labour's Democrats.

candidate in Govan. It would have given voters a second Mr Robertson, who saw Labour's poll rating in Scot-land slip to 48 per cent and vote before the proposed assembly actually used its tax the SNP's rise nine points to 29 per cent this week, insisted powers. the latest move was not a change in policy, only "a change in tactics" designed to rid the party of an idea which commanded little or no sup-

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tax-varying status, applauded the party's change of heart. "I am glad we have had the courage to accept the people's view," he said. "It is arrogant for any party to stick to policies that are unpopular.'

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'Strike-breaking' leak lifts stakes in mail dispute

tive area for Royal Mail in deputy general secretary, yes-view of the current industrial deputy general secretary, yes-terday derided the suggestion that Mr Marsden's action was Seumas Milne Labour Editor

A Royal Mail spokesman said Mr Marsden had but admitted the company was

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contingency plans' while the letter did not repre sent Royal Mail policy, he added that the Post Office was faced with escalation of in-

dustrial action and was "mak-ing contingency plans". Derek Hodgson, the CWU's plan its next move.

and East Anglian recruitment agencies, marked "in strictest action being stepped up" from

casual employees into desig-nated Royal Mail premises, possibly crossing picket lines". It describes the mass recruitment as a "very sensi-

A Royal Mail spokesman

an isolated move, and accused said yesterday Mr Marsden had been "over-enthusiastic senior Post Office managers - who refused to meet him and got carried away", but this week for fresh talks - of wanting a full-scale

"This is the same board that supported Michael Heseltine's privatisation plans," Mr Hodgson said. "It makes you wonder whether they see escalation as a way of achiev-'got carried away' ing privatisation by the back doo If Royal Mail Anglia's strike-breaking scheme was repeated on a national scale,

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come at a more sensitive time in the dispute over flexible working, hours and pay, which has all but shut down the postal service eight times since the end of June. On Monday 20 CWU divisional representatives will meet the postal executive in London to

son Baksh, 18, Aynton Waite, 20, Roger Leslie, 19, and Mark Baksh, 23, sentenced to four years for rape. Anthony Baksh, 15, was given 30 months for rape. City **World News**

VIDENCE that regiona

 Post Office managers are making secret plans to recruit a strike-breaking army has emerged as Communication Workers' Union representatives from around the

country prepare to decide the future of the dispute. A letter to Home Counties

commercial confidence reveals that "Royal Mail Anglia is looking to recruit 4,600 casual employees for use in the event of industrial

You, not your counsel, added insult to injury and heaped further humiliation on her." September 16. With one exception, none had expressed remorse. Signed by the area personnel manager, Alan Marsden, and dated September 4, the The five others jailed, all from south London, were Jaletter asks if companies can help with "transportation of

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rights, of course, but you can't have a fair trial if the witness can't cope with the way the trial is conducted." day period. Judge Graham Boal told them at the Old Balley: "To say you behaved like animals

Justice on trial in rape

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The woman, fearful of causing distress to her conserva-tive Japanese family, chose to

Afterwards, a spokes-woman for Victim Support. Helen Peggs, said the case highlighted the need for lim-its to be placed on the length

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Otherwise the end product will be that witnesses are so

distressed they are unable to give evidence.

The defendants have

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would do an injustice to the gets a fair trial as well as en-animal kingdom. Quite how a suring that women aren't put

off coming forward."

At the conclusion of the trial, the ringleader of the

gang, 16-year-old Gerrard Molloy, was given two 10-year sentences for double rape, two six-year terms for aiding

and abetting others to rape

the student, and four years

for three indecent assaults

all to run concurrently. Judge Boal told the at-tackers: "For over 30 hours

this girl had to relive the or

deal in a public court and in front of total strangers. Out-

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Cheshire social workers launched an inquiry into the case of a four-year-old, found at home after her mother went on holiday to Spain.

foreign ministers met in Tralee in . County Kerry, vesterday in an effort to unify policy toward Iraq.

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Mark Tran in New York

OB Dole's chances of beating President B Bill Clinton in November looked increasingly hopeless yesterday as the jobs report showed American unemployment for August sinking to its lowest level for seven years.

Mr Clinton, campaigning in the Republican stronghold of Florida, hailed the statistics as good news that showed the economy was on the right track. He said the August un-employment rate — down to 5.1 per cent from 5.4 per cent in July - and the creation of nearly half a million jobs in those two months were "the latest evidence of strong growth, the highest consumer

confidence in years". With only nine weeks left until the presidential vote. the jobs statistics are an enormous boost for Mr Clinton, who already enjoys a double-digit lead over his Republican challenger. Polls put Mr Clinton 10-17 points ahead of Mr

ics" to ridicule George Bush's Dole. It is a truism of American pledge to cut taxes and bal-ance the budget. To add insult presidential politics that an incumbent will retain the to injury, 44 per cent of people in the ABC-Post poll trust Mr White House in an election year if the economy is healthy. Mr Clinton's pres-ence in Florida — which no Democratic presidential can-Dole. This reverses a 47-39 didate has carried in 20 years Dole edge a month ago. reflected his confidence.

The vigour of the economy Voters are beginning to is the most intractable ob give him credit for the stacle to Mr Dole's presidenhealthy economy, although tial aspirations. He has many economists will argue sought to make headway by that the Federal Reserve (the criticising the pace of growth, but that argument fell flat United States central bank) holds the real key — and it is when second-quarter growth under pressure to raise inter- came in at a stunning annual est rates by as much as 0.5 per { rate of 4.8 per cent.

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Nonetheless, a New York Times CBS poll showed that 55 per cent of Americans approve of Mr Clinton's hand-N ILLITERATE Newcastle traveller was yester-day refused the right to ling of the economy - the highest rating he has ever bury his wife in England after received for his economic rea judge decreed he had decord. Six out of seven of those who approve say they will layed too long in organising vote for him. her funeral.

Instead, Margaret Willis will be interred outside Edin-For most of his presidency. the percentage of Americans favouring Mr Clinton's handburgh this morning in a ceremony arranged by members of her Scottish family who ling of the economy has hovered in the thirtles and for-ties. Public anxiety over "downsizing" has also eased had effectively seized control of the 37-year-old's corpse. Lord Gill's refusal to sus-tain the interim interdict after a stream of positive eco-nomic figures. Meanwhile, Mr Dole's tax-cut gambit has flopped. An ABC-Washington Post survey

granted on Wednesday to Kenny Willis was greeted with jubilation by the dozen Edinburgh-based relatives of Mrs Willis, who had crowded found that two-thirds thought Mr Dole could not cut taxes into the Court of Session to and reduce the budget deficit hear the judge's decision. at the same time, as he claims "It is dreadful that this man he would. In promising a big tax cut, Mr Dole has compro-

has put the family through so much pain and hurt," said William McCallum, Margaret Willis's brother. He gave an undertaking in court. though. that Mr Willis, who did not

attend the hearing, could par-ticipate in today's funeral ser-vice at St Columba's Episcopal church in Edinburgh city centre. The already fraught proceedings were given extra piquancy by the acknowledg-ment that the body of Mrs

Willis, who died after an accidental overdose on the night of August 28, was liable to start deteriorating.

In a gesture to allow the undertaker had warned that, despite embalming and "by-gienic treatment." Mrs Wilcourt time to consider its judgment. Mr Willis. who lived in an adjacent caravan lis's body would start to deto his wife on a site at Leamcompose within a week. ington, Newcastle, offered to At issue in the 90-minute

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Widower Kenny Willis, with three of his children pay the £40 weekly fee for pre- hearing were the couple's nating in Mrs Willis taking his wife's body back to New-serving her corpse indefi- relationship. Mr Willis's out a restraining order castle. When he heard that nitely in the Edinburgh city actions when he heard of his against her husband in the McCallum family had His in-laws countered with right to a deceased partner's ssertions that the father of

four could not afford the pay-ments. The court was also told that the Scottish family's to England when she came north to stay with her mother in Edinburgh last month. Mr Willis's counsel acknowledged that the couple. mar-ried for 18 years, had a stormy domestic life, culmi-

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However, Alastair Kinroy, remains. for Mr Willis, said Margaret Mrs Willis's family had said had phoned her husband on she did not intend to go back | August 28 to warn him of her impending return to England. When she did not appear, Mr Willis phoned next day to be told she had died. According to Mr Willis, he was told after he arrived in

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Edinburgh that he could take

late as noon on the day before the burial. Lord Gill, noting that Mr other plans, he returned to Willis had no alternative ar-Newcastle, where his inabil-ity to read or write delayed rangements in place, said he should have acted as soon as his engaging a Scottish solici-tor until this Wednesday, the he learned of his wife's death. Dismissing the mortuary option as "not an attractive proday before the funeral was due at Dalkeith. posal", the judge said it was The McCallums had alleged now in the public interest that Mr Willis had not returned to Newcastle but had been collaborating with dignity and without undue

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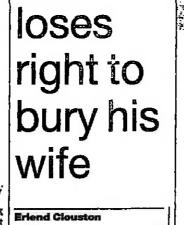
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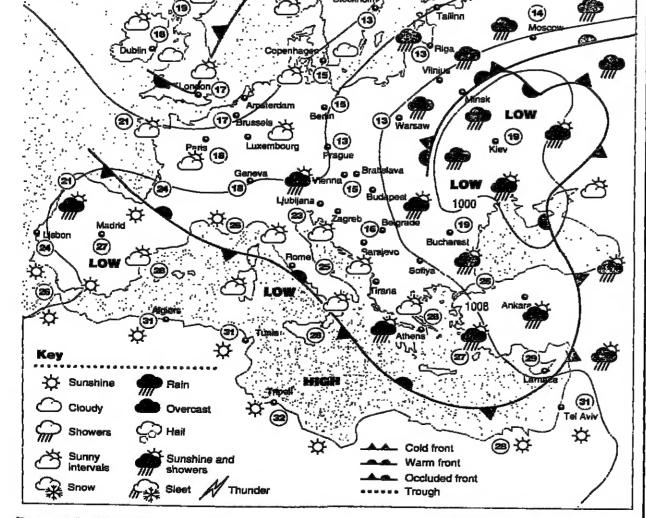
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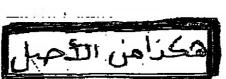
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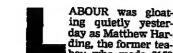


SPOTLIGHT/PAYING FOR LABOUR **3**

Individual backers like football club vice-chairman Matthew Harding set to challenge weakened unions as biggest contributors to party

Wealthy donors see off the barons

David Hencke discovers that Tony Blair's wooing of business is paying dividends but more is needed for election campaign



ABOUR was gloat said to have given £600,000 ing quietly yester-day as Matthew Har-festo promotion campaign. festo promotion campaign.

boy who made £150 million on the Lloyd's insurance market and became vice chairman of Chelsea Football Club, explained his decision to donate £1 million to the

party. "I believe that Tony Blair is the best leader for our country, and New Labour the best party to prepare our country for the future," he said. "I want to belp Tony and the Labour Party to bring about change in this country. "I have never believed that

being wealthy means being Tory and I think New Labour has a far greater understand ing of the enterprise economy than many people in the Tory Party do.

The announcement of the donation, much of which has already been handed over, was clearly timed to follow this week's seminar in which Mr Blair and colleagues sought to demonstrate that the party's policies would be good for enterprise. It also fol-lows the news last weekend that the Political Animal Lobby has given the party a similar sum. Mr Harding's largesse illus-

trates a strengthening trend for the party to rely increasngly on private donations for its income. Wealthy individuals could soon overtake old trade union barons as the iggest source of finance for New Labour

One of the biggest advan-tages of Tony Blair's leadership has been the dramatic change in the party's bank balance. The wealthy seem more willing to support him at a time when Labour's traditional bankrollers, the trade union movement, have

Ten years ago Neil Kinnock was in hock to trade union barons who provided more than 77 per cent of its £5.8 million a year income. In 1995 that percentage had slumped to 54.2 per cent of a larger £12.5 million. By next year, following the two latest £1

The biggest trade union do-nations still come from the GMB general union, the Amalgamated Engineering and Electrical Union, Unison the Transport and Genera Workers' Union, the shop workers' union Usdaw, and the Communication Workers

Union, currently being cold-shouldered by Labour over the postal dispute. Trade Unions for Labour, which represents a wide cross-sec tion of the union movement, is also a large donor.

IERE is also the largely overlooked role of the bankers who lend Labour considerable sums

so they can fight the elec-tions. The Co-operative Bank allows the party to run up a £1 million overdraft and the trade union bankers, Unity Trust, are providing a £825.000 overdraft facility. But despite the big rise donations, Labour is still being overwhelmed by the huge expenditure required to

run a modern election cam paign. This year it ran up its first deficit for four years, moving from a surplus of £1.2 million in 1994 to a deficit of £452.000. The General Elec-

tion Fund slipped from £4.5 million to £4.4 million. A series of complex ac-counting changes - includ-

ing revaluing and consolidating its £1.2 million property portfolio into its main accounts - led to a reduction in its overdraft from £1.1 million

to £626,000. Why did Labour overspend? It found itself having to pay out much more for campaigning. It went over budget on the 1995 local government election campaign and apbeen considerably weakened. peared to be caught out last year by the Tories' fast recovery from their huge overdraft.

This year £1.3 million has been invested in a state-ofthe-art media centre in Mill-bank Tower in London. A new computerised system, Excalibur, which promises to provide instant rebuttals to million donations, it could 10e1 Tory propaganda, has also cost a small fortune. Between now and polling day Labour faces far bigger bills. Trips to set up Labour groups abroad — in Cyprus, the United States, Spain and South Africa - are not cheap.

THE POLITICAL FOOTBALL: What happens when the urge to win extends off the pitch?



Chelsea and Labour supporter Kenny Baxter (above); heading practice for Tony Blair and Newcastle manager Kevin Keegan; and a new role for John Major MAIN PHOTOGRAPH: KIPPA MATTHE

Blues fans cheer _abour supporter

cent figure.

Meanwhile, membership and more importantly member donors — have soared since 1992. Then, under John Smith, it was 279,000 with 3,500 making one-off donations and another 30,000 agreeing to give regularly through direct debits from bank accounts.

By the end of 1995, membership was up to 365,000, donors up to 63,500 and those regularly allowing Labour to dip into their bank accounts topping 55,000. Latest figures for membershin suggest it will reach 400,000 this year. Last year about £1.6 million came from membership fees.

These figures will include Labour's Thousand Club, whose members pay £1,000 a year or more for meetings with the leadership, and its fundraising £450-a-head dinners at the Savoy to meet Tony Blair and Gordon Brown.

The proportion of Labour's income from fund-raising activities jumped from 2.2 per cent in 1986 to 18.6 per cent of a much larger income last

Companies have started stepping in. The list of 17 do-nors released by the Labour Party recently shows that Pearson, the media group own-ing the Financial Times and Penguin Books, gave them \$25,000; Tate and Lyle. \$7,500; and a management company called GLC, about £30,000. A millionaire Labour supporting publisher, Paul Hamlyn, is

Total income £5.8m

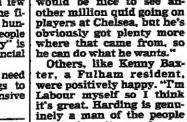
Millions more will be needed in the next six months. Both parties started their campaigning earlier

than expected and John Major looks certain to wait to the last possible date - May 1 next year - before going to the polls. Labour's annual report warns that "the National Exjust

ecutive Committee is concerned to ensure that the hurried pressures on the general fund lunchdo not presage a return to the structural deficit position which so encumbered the party in the 1980s." Labour break arrivals cannot rely on the unions to get them out of a hole, and this is not just because of the desire not to be seen relying

on the unions. The unions simply will not have the cash. The new claim that "the strength of the party is that it does not depend upon a few large donors, but has the financial support of many hun-

dreds of thousands of people up and down the country" is unlikely to solve the financial problems either. Instead, it is likely to need more Matthew Hardings to fight increasingly expensive



1995

Total income £12.5m

election campaigns. Leader comment, page 8 Funding Labour



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don't really like politics and sport getting mixed up. I hate all these politicians getinting volved and

claiming they are football supporters. David Mellor (above) is all right. but the rest . . . Mellor himself, a Chelsea

regular, MP and presenter of Radio Five's 606 phone-

John Wayne Bobbitt meets us in the bar of the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, and to the mild surprise of the other drinkers, promptly starts doing press-ups on the bar floor. "I've put on weight," he gasps, as his PR draws us to one side and hisses "You know he's just had a dick extension?" The Joanna Coles interview

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in, was putting a brave face on Harding's pro-Labour deal. "I wish he had bought John Duncan on the view from the a chunk of Georgi Kink-ladze," he said. "We could have had his left leg and a bit of his right wrist for stands in debate over £1m donation

HERE were no long quenes of Chelses fans lining the road from Fulham Broadway to cancel their season tickets yes terday, no true Blues spit-ting mad at the Reds under the Stamford Bridge bed.

stream of picking up tickets for the next "I think Matthew Harding (above) should be

over the running of the able to do what he likes with his money," said Bill club. "There's O'Regan. "I suppose it would be nice to see anno doubt it will wind up Ken," said Ross Fraser, chairman of the Chelsea Inde-

pendent Supporters Associa-

and it doesn't surprise me that he supports Labour. To be honest though I wish it could all be kept secret. I

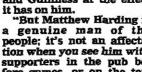
Bates contribution to Smith Scoare?

that money!" The wryest smiles came from those Chelsea fans who recalled the distinctly rightof-centre views of the club chairman Ken Bates (below), who has been known to expound upon patriotism national service and free market politics in his pro-

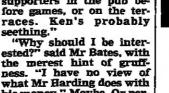
gramme notes. "I wouldn't mind being a fly on the wall at the next board meeting or the next time John Major comes to the Bridge," said Alan Holdaway, from Hasle-mere, Surrey. "It's not as if Bates and Harding need another thing they can dis-agree about, is it?" The pair have failen out regularly



tion. "I should think M Harding will be having a chuckle over his oysters and Guinness at the effect



"But Matthew Harding is a genuine man of the people; it's not an affectation when you see him with supporters in the pub be-fore games, or on the ter-races. Ken's probably



ested?" said Mr Bates, with the merest hint of gruff-ness. "I have no view of what Mr Harding does with his money." Maybe. Or per-haps the Brinks Mat van that left Chelsea at midday yesterday was sending a Bates constraintion to Smith

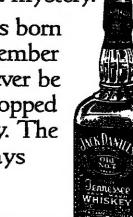


If you want to celebrate Jack Daniel's birthday with us this month, how about a sip of his Tennessee Whiskey

THOUGH JACK DANIEL'S birthday is celebrated in September, the exact day and year remain a mystery.

His statue at our distillery reads that he was born in 1850. Yet other sources state it was September of 1846. And as to which day, that may never be known. Still, all the confusion has never stopped anyone from celebrating Mr. Jack's birthday. The way we look at it, there's any one of 30 days to choose from.

JACK DANIEL'S TENNESSEE WHISKEY





4 BRITAIN

News in brief

Rugby player jailed for killer punch

A RUGBY player who killed a New Zealand tourist with a single punch was jailed for 15 months at Swansea crown court yesterday. Duncan Henderson. 26. who was travelling in Britain. watched his attacker play a few hours before the assault.

When Mr Henderson saw Rhys James. 21, again they were both queuing to enter an Indian restaurant in Aberystwyth. James, who had drunk 12 pints of beer after the game, objected to Mr Henderson standing in front of him. Without warning, he punched him in the face, sending him crashing backwards onto the ground. He cracked his skull on the pavement and died soon afterwards.

James, an agriculture student, of North Road, Aberystwyth, admitted manslaughter. Trefor Davies, defending, said: "He realises that no punishment can really compensate for the loss of Mr Henderson's life."

Bribe probe at jail

POLICE are to investigate claims that a prison officer accepted bribes from inmates to let them out for the day. The Home Office confirmed that the officer had been suspended from Sudbury Open Prison. Derbyshire, pending an investigation. It is understood passes were sold to prisoners allowing them to take days out of the jail. The prison's governor, Peter Salter,

declined to comment

Bragg's ITV cash plea

MELVYN Bragg launched his 20th season of the South Bank Show yesterday with a plea to the Government to put more money back into independent television for film and programme-mak-ing. He said ITV was "uniquely penalised" by having to pay a levy that was originally imposed in return for a monopoly of advertis-ing provide ing revenue

Now it had to compete for advertising with Channel 4 and Sky Now it had to compete for advertising with Channel 4 and Sky and cable TV, but it still had to pay a levy of £370 million a year. TTV companies should be allowed to keep half the money to enrich their film and programme-making and the other half should be used to finance films and programmes made by people under 35. - Martin Linton

New laws to curb noise

An "unthinking, arrogant minority" who made their neighbours' lives hell with noise and other nuisance would be targeted under new laws soon, the Environment Minister, James Clappison, said

He told environmental health officers that tough new powers would allow them to hand out on-the-spot fines and confiscate hifis. TVs and DIY tools from noisy neighbours. And new powers of eviction would help authorities remove drug-dealers from estates. He told the institute's congress in Harrogate, Yorkshire, that the Housing Act and Noise Act, which recently received Royal Assent, would help them protect the majority of good neighbours.

Drunk M-way driver jailed

A FASHION designer who careered the wrong way down a motorway at 100mph in a drunken stupor was jailed yesterday for a year. Anil Mane, 32, sent cars and lorries swerving on the M62

near Leeds, before hitting a lorry trailer. Leeds crown court heard that Mane, of Shoreham, Susser, was found by police slumped over the steering wheel muttering incoherently. When asked where he thought he was, he replied "near Worthing". — Martin Wainwright

Abortion ad to go ahead

AN advertisement promoting an abortion helpline is set for radio broadcast on Monday amid staunch opposition from pro-life campaigners who claim it will encourage promiscuity.

Two young women discuss unplanned pregnancy during the 30-second commercial on London's Kiss FM, one of them arguing: "I can't look after myself, let alone look after a baby." The voice of the actress. Julia Sawalha, the sensible daughter in Absolutely Fabulous, then advises: "If you are faced with an unplanned pregnancy. call the Marie Stopes Centre." The anti-abortion group. Life, claims the advert is a money-

spinner. "They are laughing all the way to the bank. Abortion is a

OCIAL workers in Cheshire last night a four-year-old girl found crying on the doorstep of her home two days after her mother flew off to a holiday in Spain. Amy Bogg had wandered back across an estate in search of her mother. She and her brother David, aged one. had been left with a couple who live 10 minutes away from their home in Padgate, Warrington, while their mother Diane and her boyfriend were on the 10-day trip with regulars from the Jolly Falstaff pub. Their brother Robert, aged seven, was left with a family member. Ms Bogg is thought to have asked various people to look after the children before taking them to the home of Janine Lake and Paul Lee, whom she met about a month ago. gone missing." Amy found her way home and neighbours said she sat

Songs of the sea ... John Connolly plays squeezebox at the launch of Hull's three-day International Sea Shanty Festival, named Sea Fever after Masefield's poem and established to keep maritime traditions alivePhotograph: JUSTW SLEE

Critic stung by a novel 'portrayal'

Romantic link from university adds spice to saga of publishers launches and advance envy

the book in some form or | author's view. While the other - but not in its present form." Ms Alexander added: "Obviously we didn't know to what extent characters were identifiable when we first saw it.' As in all good potboilers, there is a romantic history. Craig and Sexton were briefly involved in 1980, while they were at Cambridge University. They have not spoken to each other for 12 years.

Vicious Circle

in some respects, by many as Sexton, Sponge has been connected — however fan-tastically — to two media figures, the Independent's literary editor. John Walsh, and Private Eye's Christopher Sylvester. Supporters of either party have reacted differently, some viewing Craig's

Nabokov-loving Pinsent

has been identified, at least

novel as a sad attempt at revenge by a jilted lover (15 ears on), others exp

Essex police are in contact with their counterparts in Cy-prus, and Mrs Pink has sent a signed affidavit to the Cyprus High Commission in London. She said in the Daily Mail: "I hope he is locked away for good so he cannot do this to any other woman. He is

wicked. "I would say to any other woman 'keep away'. He might as well have shot me through the head.'

She claimed his wife was dying of Aids when their affair began. Mr Georgiou told the newspaper he didn't care Janette Pink, aged 44, still what she was saying he had opes the Cypriot police will done.

The Guardian Saturday September 7 1996

Inquiry into children left with couple

David Ward

on the step crying for four hours. They called the police, who broke into the house and found a dog tied to the stairs. It had water but no food.

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Officers called Cheshire launched an investisocial services department. gation into the case of and the children are now with relatives. A spokesman said they were safe and well Ms Bogg had been contacted in Spain and would meet social

workers when she returns from holiday. "The arrangements the parents made were not in our view satisfactory

additional and the spokesman. Gaynor Pennington, who has known Ms Bogg for about seven years, said she fre-quently looked after the three children. She claimed Ms Bogg had walked around nearby streets in search of someone to look after her children before she went on holiday. She said Ms Bogg had spoken to Mr Lee only a

couple of times in the pub. "I would rather have looked after Diane's kids myself in-stead of having them left with "I didn't really know almost a complete stranger.

them," said Ms Lake. "My boyfriend asked me if we could look after the kids. Amy was playing outside with asked Ms Pennington"s was playing outside with some other children. I told her to stay out the front and I didn't even know she had gone missing." ture. But she isn't old enough to look after two children."

Aids woman cannot bring lover to book

Clare Dyer Legal Correspondent BRITISH woman dying of Aids in an Essex hospital has failed to per-

suade the British authorities to prosecute the Greek Cypriot fisherman she claimed in-fected her with the virus. Essex police sent a file on the case to the Crown Prosecution Service, but the service cannot act because the couple were living on the island of Cyprus, outside CPS jurisdiction, when they had

The only crime committed abroad which can be prosecuted in Britain is murder.

proached on her behalf by relatives after she was admitted to an isolation ward at Basildon Hospital last month.

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big industry. They talk about counselling but it's bogus because they have a financial interest in the outcome." - Elizabeth

Correction

IN our review of the first issue of the relaunched Punch magazine in yesterday's paper, we inadvertently gave a misleading impres-sion of the volume of advertising. There are in fact a total of 30 pages of advertising, which we understand was the target for the



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tale of literary life David Sexton . . . complaint to Vicious Circle publisher

seen. Hamish Hamilton has HE dinner tables of literary London are all responded by suspending publication of the book, up agog with the revelation that book reviewer and till now only available in proof form. Sunday Telegraph televi-sion critic David Sexton 'We have taken some

has complained to publishlegal advice and we're looking into the situation of how it might be resolved," ers Hamish Hamilton about the alleged portrayal of him in A Vicious Circle, a said Clare Alexander, the novel by Amanda Craig. How close any resem-blance is remains to be would be able to publish but "heartless" in the

bing and advance-sum envy. It is one of a steady trickle of novels and stories which include a fictional-ised version of the London media hangout, the Grou-cho Club (here called the Slouch Club).

Craig's characters include Ivo Sponge, a libidi-nously fat, bow-tied, and genially corrupt young reviewer; his ex-Cambridge contemporary, Paul Pin-

ily describes the literary world, with its mill of launch parties, back-stabing not a little schodenfreude towards Sexton, whose barbed satires of literary folk have been gracing newspaper pages for the last decade. Perhaps the most inter-

esting question of all is whether Craig has put enough distance between herself and her writing. The American critic Edmund Wilson developed a theory about the relation between psychic malaise and creativity. Wordsworth believed poetry should "recollected in tranquil-lity" rather than in the spate of passion.

prosecute Pavlos Georgiou, Mrs Pink, who began the whose wife died of Aids and whose four-year-old son is relationship after divorcing four years ago, told her chilsaid to be infected. Police in dren Katherine, 20, and Gra-Cyprus said yesterday there was nothing they could do as ham, 17, the truth about her illness last week. After ber their investigations had been divorce she moved to Cyprus to start a new life and met the blocked by medical confidentiality. Sir Teddy Taylor, Tory MP fisherman in a bar three months later. for Southend, said: "Apparently this lady had a

She claimed he also per-suaded har to part with her relationship in Cyprus and found out that the man had £25,000 divorce settlement, claiming he needed the Aids. The law in Cyprus money to build a boat. states that if anyone has Aids Kenneth Clarke, then home secretary, decided in 1992 not and knowingly infects others, they can be prosecuted. It to create a specific criminal seems like a sensible idea."

He said he had been ap- ing someone with Aids.

Road to Devolution

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Pro-devolution Scole suspect Blair is luke-warm. Scots executive backs U-turn.

backs further compromise, with second question on tex pelore Scots assembly actually uses proposed powers. Sent 6- Labour abandons

Solving the eternal **Scottish conundrum**

Michael White on the long fight against Westminster centralisation and the

federal problem Labour has yet to solve

HE trouble with devolving govern-ment in Britain." the Tory policy guru. David Willetts, once observed, "is that England is the wrong size." By that he meant it is too big to sit easily in a fed-

eral system with regional gov-ernment in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Unlike Germany or Spain, few English regions have sufficient local identity to readily allow for eight or 10 regional assemblies to match those demanded, at least by the political classes, on the

Celtic fringe. It has not stopped efforts to decentralise the modern British state almost since the enforced union with Ireland in 1800 came a century after the more-or-less voluntary Act of bolic gestures, like the return Union between England and Scotland in 1707. With Labour in turmoil over its Scottish devolution plans again yesterday, there was also trouble simmering in Wales where Tony Blair's insistence on proportional representation for a Cardiff assembly has stirred resentment among Labour MPs in the valleys, who fear it will give disproportionate power to Plaid Cymru, eager to con-front Whitehall. It is déjà vu. Home Rule for

Ireland wrecked Gladstone's last government in the 1880s. But for the first world war it might have wrecked Asquith's in 1914 after Protestant Ulster threatened a rebellion. Instead, the IRA emerged from the blood of the 1916 Easter Rising. In Scotland, nationalism

has been a reviving force since the prestige of the imperial British state collapsed after the second world war-First oil, then the fashionable model of a "Europe of the regions" gave it street cred. Ironically, the immediate damage inflicted on Labour

among nationalists, Liberal stems from John Major's appointment of the Thatcherite Michael Forsyth as Scottish Secretary in 1994 after a Labour activists. series of conciliatory gran-dees. Forsyth backed sym-

of the ancient Stone of Scone to placate the Scots. But he also opened up against Labour's devolution plans the suspicion that Mr Blair which had been honed in a was really inviting Scots votmulti-party Constitutional ers to say No to tax-raising Convention since 1991. With powers which Mr Robertson had wanted precisely because Liberal Democrat and Scottish TUC support - the Scot-

tish Nationalist Party walked into an assembly. out and the Tories never joined in - they produced a model for an assembly which | cuse London of keeping Scotwould have tax-raising pow- land short of cash even ers and proportional repre-sentation, unlike the model again in Glasgow this week — independent Scotland.

tried and failed to impose in the Seventies. more per person per week" to support public services in John Smith, a Scot who be-Scotland than in England. lieved in Europe of the It might not under devoluregions, had been happier tion, if Scots MPs continued with this consensus than

to keep voting powers over England's affairs, as in the famous West Lothian riddle Tony Blair. When the wily Forsyth started saying the "Tartan tax" would cost Scots posed in 1976 by the the antiup to 3p in the £1, and hit jobs and inward investment, Mr devolutionist Tam Dalyell. Why should West Lothian's Blair and his shadow Scottish MP be able to vote on West secretary, George Robertson, instituted a review. Bromwich's schools and not vice versa? he asked.

the last Labour government | the Treasury gave "over £17

The result was the June 26 It is hard to have a semiannouncement that before a federal system and in 17 years Blair government legislates to create an assembly it would of opposition Labour has managed to refine the probseek a majority of Scottish em, but not solve it. voters in a two-question refer-Yesterday's U-turn which endum: do they want an asbrought Tory and SNP jeers

sembly and should it have tax-raising powers? reflects tactical maneouvres It is hard to convey the target. anger this U-turn created

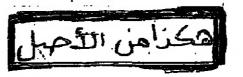
Democrats and nationalistic-The theory was that a referendum win would legitimise the proposed assemblies and

make it harder for Tories to fillibuster in Parliament as bly actually raised (or lowered) the Scots tax rate. Touring Scotland this week they did in 1976-79. What infuriated pro-devolutionists was Mr Robertson found no sup-

it would instill responsibility Without them, he reasoned. the SNP would be able to ac-

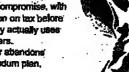
port for this compromise. So, he revealed yesterday, he persuaded Mr Blair to drop it. Some Scottish commentators compare the June 26 Uturn with 1707 or with Bannockburn - a decisive turning point which will lead neither

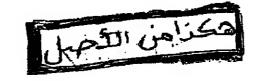
to Mr Major's status quo nor to Labour's halfway house of an second referendum stan. Edinburgh assembly, but to an



to minimise Labour as a Tory Labour's Scottish executive, split over the June 26 change as is the whole Scottish party, voted on Saturday to Scottish Office. to back the two-part referenconstruction and dum, but only if voters were offered another referendum before the Edinburgh assem-

sacond question on tax-raising powers. August - Scottish executive





Security pact sought as Nato prepares to expand

West puts Kremlin ties top of agenda

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HE Unites States yesterday called for a new formal security charter between Nato and Russia and said an alli-ance summit would start negotiating entry to Nato with several East European countries early next year. In a speech in the south German city of Stuttgart, the US secretary of state, Warren Christopher, also backed the controversial drive for European integration by the Ger-man chancellor, Helmut Kohl.

describing the reunited Germany as Europe's "symbol and catalyst for the integra-tion it is trying to achieve". Mr Christopher's speech came a day after the Russian

foreign minister, Yevgeny Primakov, described Ger-many as a "world power" and on the eve of Mr Kohl's visit to an ailing President Boris Yeltsin in Moscow.

We seek a fundamentally new relationship between Russia and the new Nato Nato's co-operation with Russia should be expressed in a formal charter," Mr Christopher said.

The charter would provide for joint military exercises and a permanent crisis mangement mechanism. The German foreign miniser, Klaus Kinkel, said the

blueprint for the charter

of the year. A week of hectic diplomacy has centred on Germany: in separate meetings Mr Kohl has hosted talks with the French president and the US and Russian foreign ministers, has visited Ukraine and From these meetings it has emerged that the West is eager to forge a new security pact with Moscow before let-ting Poland, Hungary and the Czech Benublic into Nato

Czech Republic into Nato. Mr Kinkel said that next to

European unification, the Russia-Nato relationship was the 'most important task of the future".

Nato to former Warsaw pact members, but keeping Russia sweet and sealing the new se-curity charter between Nato and the Kremlin.

Earlier this year, Mr Kohl said that talk of Nato's expansion eastward should be post-poned until after Russia's elections in the summer and the US elections in the winter. With Mr Yeltsin re-elected

but doubts about his political longevity, Bonn wants to move swiftly. However, the central Europeans, who are

posal opposed by the Poles The signs are that Germany is trying to become the key bridge-builder between East and West. Bonn hopes to square the circle: opening and Czechs. The Germans have also sue gested that a Russia commit

should be complete by the end | habit of dealing with Russia

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sation for Security and Co-operation in Europe be agreed at an OSCE summit in Lisbon

German officials have stressed that during Mr Pri-makov's visit to Bonn this week there were fewer complaints than usual about Na to's proposed expansion. But he showed little sign relenting in his opposition.

In a change of emphasis both sides chose to dwell on Russia-Nato ties and talk less of central Europe. Bonn is moving towards the Russian agenda. In Kiev this week, Mr Kohl appeared to back Ukrainian demands that

new Nato members in eastern Europe be nuclear-free, a pro-

tee he set up within Nato, a beefed-up role for the Organi-

in December, and Russia be included in a new OSCE steer ing group. Russia believes the OSCE

rather than Nato should be the key security forum for post-cold war Europe.

But while the Germans are talking about an accommodation with Russia, Mr Christo pher was unequivocal: "Nato enlargement is on track and it will happen. At the 1997 sumeager to come under Nato's mit we should invite several security umbrella, are wor-ried by Germany's historical negotiations."

WORLD NEWS 5



Architecture award fails to make space at Prado

Adela Gooch in Madrid reports on a new started to repair leaks in started to repair leaks in setback for Spain's renowned museum, which is in desperate need of repairs

N international com-petition to solve the table or plan for the start of cramped space and the work.

The Prado, an elegant stone palace, was built by Juan de Villanueva 177 years ago to house the

Goya, which has brought many extra visitors to Ma-drid. His works are now exhibited in temporary installations.

one-seventh of its collec-

once the traditional party of | Jammu, and the mountain | parliamentary election in | larger numbers to campaign government in Kashmir. "But | plateau of Ladakh, which has | May was marred by wide | meetings, and there are flags at least we will get out of central rule and be masters of our own destiny." Dr Abdullah has promised greater au-tonomy for Kashmir, and a start voting in state elections today. The elections come 'At least we will get more than six years after the sacking of the last Kashmiri out of central rule state government, when an up-rising against New Delhi's rule and be masters of had yet to reach its height. The Indian government our own destiny'

a large Buddhist/population. will also vote. The main separatist body, the All-Party Hurriyat Con-ference, has boycotted the polls, arguing that they ignore the basic Kashmiri de mand for self-determination. "These will not be elections, but a well-organised elections, but a military process," said Um-mar Farooq, the Hurriyat chairman. "By hook or by well-organised crook, India is going to have elections in Kashmir. Their primary concern is not to have people choose from their hearts. They just want to fill a vacuum to impress their own people and the international community." Amnesty International has warned that the vote could normal election," said Dr Far-on September 30, but still fall result in a steep rise in attacks on politicians and of the National Conference, Hindu-dominated plains of human rights workers. The

spread coercion, with Indian troops using rifle butts to push people into polling stations; there was turnout of

and other paraphernalia of an election. However, 12 of Dr Abdul

lah's party workers have been killed in attacks blamed on "renegades" — as the gunmen

r to book

poor facilities of the renowned Prado museum in Madrid has failed to produce a satisfactory proposal

royal art collection. There Five hundred of the were modest additions at world's top architects sub-mitted entries to the comthe beginning of the cen-fices scattered around Ma-tury and in the 1950s, but it drid, is only able to show petition, organised by the is largely unchanged. It is

A Srinagar anti-election protester hurls back a tear gas canister yesterday at some of the 200,000 troops overseeing the poll PHOTOGRAPH SHERWIN CRASTO the roof which have threatened to damage priceless works, such as Las Meninas by Velázquez. The repairs coincides with the 250th anniversary of the birth of Francisco de

Massive security as Kashmiris vote

The Prado, which has of-

Suzanne Goldenberg In New Delhi S 200,000 troops keep watch, and candidates go out to the people in bullet-proof cars. Kashmiris

more than 40 per cent. These will not be

patronised by the Indian se curity forces are popularly known — and he has threat ened to withdraw unless they are disarmed. The most celebrated of the "renegades" is the former folk singer Kuka Parray, who military process' is contesting this round as leader of the Awami League. Yet the change in atmo-sphere in just a few months is Three other pro-Indian gun-men are running as Congress almost palpable. The Indian candidates. "We will have to see how the first phase goes, and whether the militants are controlled and the gun is conprime minister, H. D. Deve Gowda, has tried to appear receptive to Kashmiri demands for autonomy, and Dr Abdullah's participation has given this poll some credibil-ity. People have turned out in ton," Dr Abdullah said.

one of the city's landmarks, located on Madrid's elegant panish government under the auspices of the International Union of Architects. central boulevard. José Antonio Fernández An international panel ruled yesterday that none was worthy of first prize. Ordonez, chairman of the

board of trustees, insisted yesterday the result was not a failore. "This was a competition for ideas and Instead the indges have decided to split the seven million peseta (about £37,000) award between the we now have plenty of ex-Spanish team of Alberto able to give the architect Martinez Castillo and Beatriz Matos, and a Swiss firm, Jean Pierre Durig & posal Rami.

guidelines." But many saw the out-Despite assurances from come as yet another set-back for the Prado. The building to annexes, and Esperanza Aguirre, the culture minister, the muse-

tions. It has sparse library space and inadequate restoration facilities. Filing cabinets and archives litter its corridors and even the toilets.

Staff morale has also suf-fered, especially after the arrival of a glamorous neighbour — the Thyssen cellent ones. We will be able to give the architect who draws up a final pro-the Spanish government across the road.

clear The Prado expansion plans include underground walkways linking the main

sees the elections as a first step towards restoring nor-mality in the valley, following commission to investigate its military success against the separatists — but others human rights abuses during the uprising. disagree. "This state has been

Opinion polls suggest his party will emerge ahead of the other main contender, the under seven years of blood-shed, murder, rape and all the Congress, after voting ends on September 30, but still fall rest, and one can't expect a



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FRENCH court will de-cide on Monday whether In court, Mr Barril's law In court, Mr Barril's lawto give credence to one of the yer, Jacques Vergès, claimed most persistent rumours of that the murder allegations were public knowledge and accused Mr Charasse and Mr viser, François de Gros-Souvre, was murdered in the the media because they dared Elysée palace two years ago, not bring a libel action. "I *urites Paul Webster in Paris*, defy you to bring a case," he The official view is that De said.

who planned the sinking of Greenpeace's Rainbow War-rior in 1984, have asked the court to order the seizure of the book, written by Paul Bar-ril, one of the president's for-

Deputy tells Samper to guit

COLOMBIA'S vice-presi-dent, Humberto de la campaign coffers. The presicampaign coffers. The presi-dent was cleared in June by a Calle, vesterday called upon congress inquiry most ob-servers regard as a President Ernesto Samper to resolve the country's political and economic crists by whitewash. Mr De la Calle, who is not

resigning, writes Mary Mathe-son in Bogotá. "Colombia looks like it's falling to pieces." Mr De la Calle said, citing the eco nomic recession and the he and Mr Samper should be recent upsurge in political replaced by a government of violence. His statement is the national unity, made up of all latest twist in Colombia's political factions. The president has said he

long-running political scan-dal, in which Mr Samper has will not resign, but observers been accused of taking mil-lions of dollars from drug down in the near future.

A court action is unlikely because it would reveal per sonal secrets held by De Grossouvre, one of whose jobs was to protect Mitterrand's illegitimate daughter, Mazarine. The public prosecutor,

Pierre Dillange, said that Mr Barril, who lost his job at the Elysée after presidential bodyguards tried to frame Irish nationalists on terrorist charges, had not advanced any proof for his claims and the book should be considered

as a work of fiction. But the book shows that in-

an investigation. He said a previous review by his staff Blandon, the former leader of the Fuerza Democratica Nidon's boss, Juan Norwin Meneses Cantarero. The Mercury News identified Mr Cantarero as a drug dealer and smuggler

Khmer Rouge leader to claim no role in slaughter

ENG SARY, the renegade deputy military chief of of his past at a news confer-Khmer Rouge leader, is to staff, confirmed that nego-publicly profess his inno-cence in the slaughter that Thursday between Mr Sary It will be held in Phnom claimed 2 million Cambodian lives in the 1970s, offi-

cials said yesterday. General Pol Saroeun,

CIA to review drug claims

NSISTING that he has found no evidence of wrong-doing, the CIA director, John Deutch, has ordered his in-spector-general to carry out an internal investigation into allegations raised in a series of articles in the San Jose Mercury News that the agency was involved in drug trafficking to support the Nic-

araguan contras. The newspaper reported that a San Francisco Bay-area drug ring sold cocaine to Los Angeles gangs in the 1980s and funnelled the profits to CIA-directed contra forces. "Although I believe there is

no substance to the allegations... I wish to dispel any lingering public doubt on the subject," wrote Mr Deutch in a letter to California Senator Barbara Boxer, who asked for "supports the conclusion that the agency neither partici-pated in nor condoned drug trafficking by contra forces". In particular, Mr Deutch said the CIA had never been involved with Oscar Danilo caraguense, contrary to the newspaper report. Nor did it have contact with Mr Blanwho ran the FDN operation from California. - AP.

Thursday between Mr Sary and Cambodian officials had concluded with an agreement that Mr Sary would give a public account **Travel as many**

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IRAQ CRISIS: Atmosphere of near normality in Baghdad as troops dig in near Irbil

SAfrican Behind the front line with the PUK constitution thrown out

Chris Nuttall

penetrates the war zone near Degala, moving between rival checkpoints

OSRAT Rassur Ali is a prime minister turned Pershmerga again and seems much more at ease now, sitting in a frontline headquarters than in the ultra-modern parliament building in Irbil, the regional capital of northern Iraq.

The parliament is de-serted and disfigured by shell holes blasted by President Saddam Hussein's ar-tillery last Saturday when the city was captured by Iraqi government forces and the Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP).

Its desolation says as much for the departure of peace and democracy in northern Iraq as the aban-doned house Mr Rassur Ali has taken over as a temporary command centre in his restored role as a commander of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK).

"Fighting is the continua-tion of politics," he said, dressed in combat fatigues. Those who know him say his fame as a warrior meant he never felt com-fortable wearing suits as leader of the regional government, set up in 1992 during the days of hope when Baghdad's influence was largely absent from the

northern region. He was surrounded by more than 100 of his fighters in the village of Degala, a key junction on the approaches to Irbil and a tar-get for a renewed offensive by the KDP on Thursday. he KDP tried to capture

Mr Rassur Ali, and two of his personal guards died beside him before he escaped. He said 10 PUK members were killed and eight captured in an uneven contest. But his claims that Iraqi soldiers, shells and armour were involved in the fighting are difficult to substantiate.

The assertion from Washington, however, that the Iraqis are withdrawing is far from true. I drove only 15 minutes outside Irbil before encountering an Iraqi checkpoint. Beyond were six camps of Iraqi armour, stretched along the Qush-

tapa-Degala road. Iraqi staff cars were parked at the roadside, and troops out looking for scarce water supplies waved and smiled at the Jeep. The soldiers were digging

in and putting up barbed wire defences. Mounds of earth surrounded more than 70 armoured vehicles and dozens of field guns. There were anti-aircraft batteries, a Russian-made T-55 tank and hundreds of troops.

Beyond the Iraqis, the KDP checkpoints were restored and the yellow flag of the party was flying where the green of the PUK had fluttered the day before. Thursday's heavy fighting had eased. Two bodies of Peshmergas lay

by the roadside Past the last KDP checkpoint, we climbed a daunting mountain and plunged down roller-coaster hills with the crack of gunfire sounding around

Near the first PUK check-point, two ambulances were ferrying the wounded away. A doctor with them said three people had been killed and 52 wounded. many of them by Iraqi shelifire in support of the KDP offensive.

Five villages were cao-

Iraqi Kurdish fighters loyal to the Kurdistan Democracy Party keep watch in trenches in Degala, AK-47s at the ready

tured in this toughest of volved now and will be in terrains, hills of endless the future. "The Americans dune-like undulations that must help us. The problem could hide an army and is here in the north, not in make discovering the true the south where they've scale of the fighting an been attacking. improbability. "We appeal to the world

Mr Rassur Ali has no to belp protect the Kurdish doubt the Iraqis are in- people from the evil of

President Saddam Hussein." he said. • The United States sees "positive developments in northern Iraq" as Iraqi troops withdraw from the "usurpation of national power" which implied that KwaZulu-Natal thinks it is a

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OUTH Africa's consti-tutional court threw out the country's new multi-racial constitution yesterday over the distribution of powers to the regions, union rights, and the independence of government watchdogs. President Nelson Mandela

Chris McGreal

in Johannesburg

said he welcomed the decision as an opportunity to clarify the new constitution. But it raised the prospect of renewed political bloodletting on some of the most controversial battlegrounds fought over during the drafting of the original document. Praising the constitution as basically sound and a monu-

mental achievement. the court nonetheless sent it back to South Africa's elected constitutional assembly for revision within 90 days. The court said the constitution had failed in nine separate ways to meet a set of guiding prin-ciples laid down by multi-party negotiations during the transition to democracy. These ranged from protection of individual rights to the distribution of power. The judges ruled that the new constitution gives the

provinces substantially less power than they were allotted in the principles. The court threw out an entire chapter dealing with local govern-ment, saying it failed to lay out a defined power structure or provide sufficient control of finances.

But in a separate judgment. the court established the limits of powers for the provinces when it rejected a regional constitution written or KwaZulu-Natal by Chief Mangosuthu Buthelezi's Inkatha Freedom Party, which at the dispersal of powers in opponents said bordered on the new constitution, wel-

sovereign state. The court's ruling on the national constitution appeared implicitly to recognise that the African National Congress (ANC) is likely to be

in power for at least the pert generation, and so sought to emphasise a decentralisation of power. The court said the new co stitution had insufficient safe guards for independent gov ernment watchdogs. It also

rejected an attempt to make labour laws immune to lega challenges and ordered strengthening of individual employers' rights. But it let stand the right to strike with out a reciprocal right for employers to lock out workers.

The judges gave renewed hope to the victims of state sponsored violence under apartheid by rejecting a pro-vision which put the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, headed by the former Archbishop Desmond Tutu, beyond the jurisdiction of the courts. The judges' ruling appears to mean that while those responsible for extrajudicial murders and other crimes might be protected from criminal prosecution the way could still be open to

civil suits by victims. The ANC fears its oppo nents may go back to the constitutional assembly intent on unravelling more than just the elements of the new constitution declared unacceptable. Although the judges clearly defined the areas requiring revision, there is nothing to prevent the assembly from

trying to amend any parts of the constitution it wishes The National Party leader ship, which quit the coalition government in May in protest at the dispersal of powers in comed the ruling but said it was not intent on refighting old battles.





Crisis 'shows up EU rifts'

John Palmer in Traleo

UROPEAN UNION foreign ministers met in to condemn the Turkish in-

yesterday in an effort to unify said last night. policy, in particular towards Iraq. But there were was dis-

Ahave returned to Baghdad, less than two days after President Clin-In an effort to deflect atten-

tion from divisions over Iraq, ton unilaterally announced

Mariam Shahin in Baghdad

N atmosphere close to normality seems to expectations of a better eco-nomic climate — now those hopes have been dashed," said one United Nations

official who refused to be

named. "Now it appears

secretary, said yesterday. "The latest information we have is that the mechanised and the armoured

agreement among the governments about how to respond to the threatened Turkish army incursions into northern Iraq. The Irish foreign minister,

Dick Spring, chairman of the two-day meeting, admitted that the crisis in Iraq had revealed "very significant differences" among EU mem-bers. But he will try today to get all 15 governments to attempt at least the semblance of unity, and to see whether United Nations negotiations for an "oil for food" deal can be revived. However, Mr Spring adopted a markedly less criti-

cal stance towards recent US air strikes in Iraq than had been expressed earlier this week by the Irish prime minister, John Bruton. Although Mr Bruton had made it clear he did not support military action against Iraqi targets, Mr Spring said "the Americans had some justification for what they did".

The atmosphere at the for-eign ministers' meeting was not improved by the fact that Britain and France took different positions over an American resolution in the UN condemning the Iraqi gov-ernment. Meanwhile the French government made it clear that it would strongly condemn any attempt by Turkish forces to create a cordon sanitaire in northern Iraq as part of its campaign against Kurdish guerrillas. When Turkey last month deleine Albright, said. launched a major military op-eration in Iraq against its own Kurdish movement, the problem," she added. "I think

own Kurdish movement, the PKK, the EU failed to make

quickly found was that a few most effect days later the Iranians also with this."

EU foreign ministers will de bate whether they should take a new diplomatic initia-parks were full yesterday. tive in support of the Middle East peace process. The Irish presidency of the EU is considering whether to organise a fact-finding mission to the area after following a meeting

crossed into Iraq in pursuit of Iranian Kurdish groups. We felt we could say nothing about it because we had failed

States. "God will punish Amerbetween Mr Spring and the Isica for what it has done to raeli foreign minister, David Levy, in Dublin this week. us, this is as certain as God is great." the sheikh at the The truth is that it is too Abu-Hanafi mosque in cen-

much to expect that the Eurotral Baghdad told the faithnean Union governments all ful who had gathered for adopt an identical position on noon prayers.

an issue like Iraq, where the EU as such is not directly in-volved." an Irish government spokesman said. "But the question of the Palestinian But revenge seems far from the minds of most Iraqis, although there were two anti-US demonstrations, one staged by expa-triate Arab and Third peace process is different. The European Union has been World nationals and angiven a formal role alongside other by Ba'ath Party the United States and Russia members.

in this matter." IN A blow to coalition Most Iragis, however, were more concerned about bread-and-butter issues. unity, the United Nations Security Council dropped con-"These blasted Amerisideration of a British resolucans attacked us and everything got more expensive tion to condemn Iraq for its incursion into a Kurdish proright away." said Hassan tected zone. The 15 council members, Lutfi, who was buying

sugar and rice on Thurs-day. "As if these sanctions representing major powers in the 1991 Gulf war, failed after were not enough." While the exchange rate four days of deliberations to agree on a text, in part be-cause of opposition to US misfor dollars almost doubled within three days, it fell sile attacks and extension of back to its normal rate yes-"no fly" zones over Iraq. "The British delegation terday. The price of sugar

and flour rose by 25 per cent only to drop again said that, while their text remains on the table, they had ceased consultations on it." the US ambassador, Ma-deleine Albright, said. "We quickly. "The people went crazy

last week when they saw the price increases," said Shawkat Khader, the owner of a supermarket in Karada, one of the wealth-ier districts of Baghdad. that just shows that someany response. "What we times the council is not the Observers based in Bagh-dad believe that the Iraqi most effective way to deal government will be able to official.

that the government will do the Muslim sabbath, and its best to keep prices down as long as possible to ap-pease the population." sermons in mosques across the country condemned the aggression by the United There had been a noticeable improvement in the mood of Iragis in the past

two months, after it was announced that a \$2 billion food-for-oil deal was about to be implemented. Now that the stand-off be-

tween the US and Baghdad seems to be over, the ques-tion remains: what of the oil deal?

One of the few officials prepared to speak about the future of the deal believes that it will be implemented shortly.

"The international community at large condemned the American aggression against Iraq and felt it was unjustified," said the offi-cial from the ministry of foreign affairs.

"In order not to provoke a US veto at the UN, the world community is likely to wait until the US elec-tions are over before push-ing for a quick implementation." Iraqi officials say that

only \$700 million of the money from the implemen-tation of the oil deal will benefit the lraqi govern-ment; the rest will cover UN costs and reparations to

Kuwait "Of the amount going to Iraq, all has been allocated for public spending on health, education and other public service sectors, thus no one should have any objections to the implementa-tion of this deal." said the

'Gulf war syndrome' report attacks Pentagon denials

lan Katz in New York

AWHITE House investiga-tion into the possible exposure of Gulf war veterans to chemical weapons has attacked the Pentagon for its insistence that servicemen did not come into contact with non-conventional weapons during Desert Storm.

Investigators for a panel appointed by President Clinton concluded the Pentagon's inquiry into possible causes of a mysterious illness suffered by veterans was "superficial" and could not be expected to provide "credible answers",

The investigators also and headaches. reported that the Pentagon

the number of soldiers who | cal problems experienced by | the credibility of the departmay have been exposed to mustard gas and the deadly soldiers but concluded that there was "no clinical evidence" for the existence of a nerve agent Sarin when US troops destroyed an Iraqi mu-"Gulf war syndrome". nitions dump in March 1991. "The department of de-The damning report comes fence's position has remained barely a week after it essentially unchanged, and emerged that senior US gov- that can be summarised as

ernment officials knew as the three nos' - there was no early as November 1991 that use, there was no exposure, the Kamisayah dump housed and their was no presence," chemical weapons but contin- said the White House-apued to deny for more than pointed panel's chief investifour years that troops had gator, James Turner. "The inflexible reassertion

been exposed to them. More than 60,000 US and 1,700 British Gulf veterans of this position in the face of growing evidence that there have complained of mysteriwere possible lower-level exous symptoms such as rashes posures - there were chemical munitions in the Kuwaiti The US defence department

oldiers who participated in the demolition of the Kamisayah dump were warned that they may have been exposed to Sarin and mustard gas. But investigators for the

ment of defence's internal

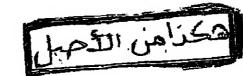
Earlier this year around 150

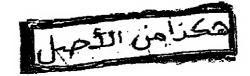
investigation."

presidential panel found that the true number of troops who may have been affected could be as high as 1.100.

Based on CIA information, the investigators concluded that evidence pointing to the release of chemical agents at Kamisayah was "overwhelming" and that "exposure to troops within 25km dramatically underestimated | launched a study of the medi- | served to gravely undermine | activity should be presumed". theatre of operation - have [15.5 miles] of the demolition







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OBITUARIES 7

John Cheek

Voice of the Falklands

illness was brutally sudden, leaving him - at the age of 56 a mere day to set his affairs in order. It was in character for him that by then he had tidily honoured two final public commitments. He chaired a meeting of the Falkland Islands council's general purposes committee; and as chairman he gave his usual calm, coherent local radio in-terview to explain the com-mittee's thinking to his electorate. By the time the interview, pre-recorded as usual, was broadcast last Tuesday, he had died of pros-

tate cancer. When I first heard this broadcasting service from a troopship arriving in Port Stanley harbour in 1983, the first thing that struck me was that in this community of 2,000 intimately interwoven people, the obituaries began not "... has died" but "We

have lost" In John Cheek, the Falk-lands have in the most staggeringly premature way lost the man who was in effect their foreign minister. He was by no means the only outstandingly able person to have emerged from this small popu-lation in recent times. But his public service spanned his homeland's most traumatic

and dynamic 15 years. It began in suspicion and watchfulness in the years before the 1982 Argentine inva-sion, when British govern-

ments were frying furtively to prepare the way for a hand-over. Cheek was a new coun-cillor in a shabby, cash-starved colony where he stood out as one of the young radical voices for more local democracy and welfare in a constitution discreetly ruled by expa-triate officers and a governor's veto. It reached a degree of world

He learned to cope

as an equal with politicians.

> diplomats, journalists and the military

prominence during and after Argentina's occupation, when he was among the most ubiq-uitous and effective interna-

tional speakers for the islanders' cause, not only impressing British and American television viewers but drawing tributes from Sir Nicholas Henderson, British ambassador to Washington during the 1982 conflict, and Sir Anthony Parsons, ambassador to the UN.

It continued with his role in the fisheries boom which started in the late 1980s, mak ing the Falkands domestically self-sufficient. And now it has

ended with the islands on the brink of awarding oil prospecting licences to interna-

HN CHEEK'S last | ments were trying furtively to | tional consortiums, in an apparently harmonious arrangement with Argentina. He dreamt that this might enable them one day to repay much or all of their defence costs to Britain. In all these initiatives he played a main part; oil was on the agenda of his final council meeting.

Cheek was a fifth genera-tion islander. His family, which settled in the 1850s, was the second or third earliest to arrive. Though he made him-self into a middle-class profes-sional, he was intensely proud to be the son of a shepherd -Fred Cheek, of the remote Hill Cove farm on the island of West Falkland. When John and his brother Gerald, now director of the Falklands air service, were young, Fred moved his family to Port Stan-ley to give them a better education.

He became a handymar with the then semi-monopolistic Falkland Islands Company. The treatment he and others got from FIC — later found by Lord Shackleton's official inquiry to be repatriating an undue share of profits to UK shareholders — was a topic of almost lifelong bitterness to his sons. Politically, John turned into one of the norm turned into one of the now

defunct company's most cutting critics. Few ex-farm families could afford UK private schooling, then virtually the only hope of proper education. But John somehow paid his way through a north Wales techni-

Navy. He found inner repose and intellectual maturity first through three years as a British Antarctic Survey radio officer at the turn of the 1960s, then through marriage. Returning to the Falklands in 1966, he worked for the

local government's radio station before transferring to Cable and Wireless. There he gained from a then unusual policy of training and promot

ing indigenous staff.

As chief engineer, he was on a training course in London with his family when Argen-

Wireless headquarters while a colleague in Port Stanley was transmitting coded details of Argentine troop placements, under the guise of a test mes-sage. The message broke off. Cheek thought his friend 8,000 miles away was a gonner; it was just ionospheric interference.

In the subsequent blitz of lobbying and media inter-views, he was one of the London team of younger islanders who learned to cope as equals with politicians, diplomats, journalists and the military.

but when the fisheries zone was introduced, he and a col-league, Stuart Wallace, launched the islands' first fishing company, Fortuna. This took him round the world as a businessman, a regime he combined with a total of 12 annual speeches as

a Falklands advocate to the United Nations committee on years to live. Fate granted him ecolonisation. He began life with the small slanders' gift of knowing how grace of spirit. Of his varied decolonisation.

education, though he remained regretful about them. Among his memorials as a councillor is the second-ary school building which now towers over Government House, an achievement in which his wife Jan particularly shares. When his cancer was diag-nosed, he was given at most 10

daughters, Miranda and Ros. And he leaves that wider family, in whose rootedness he rejoiced. John Ezard

John Cheek, Faiklands Islands

He saw the cities of a host of

men and knew their mind". He leaves one of the closest

of families: Jan and their

advocate, born November 1939; died September 3, 1996

Robin Lorimer

Independent inspiration

OBIN Lorimer, who tor and later director. He was has died aged 77, pas-sionately believed in a number of important pubthe survival of an inlishing projects, including the influential Writers and Critics dependent publishing industry in Scotland. His career series.

bridged the traditional compa-An outspoken and occasionnies still based in Scotland at the end of the second world ally truculent employee. Lorimer's difficulties with his superiors inevitably



Lorimer also made distin-guished contributions to the

studies of Scottish language

Dai Houying

Writer who emerged from the abyss

HE writer Dai Houying, who was found knifed to death in her Shanghai apartment at the age of 58, belonged to the new genera-tion of Chinese women writers who found their voices in the aftermath of the Cultural Revolution (1966-76). Their theme was the stultifying mixture of gender and political oppression under the



The publication of *Hum-nanity*, published in English in 1986 under the title *Stones* of the Wall, coincided with a counter-offensive by Commu-nist Party dogmatists against reform-minded cultural officials, scholars, and journal-ists who sought to forward the frontiers of creative freedom. Dai was condemned not only for her ideas but for "loose morals." The dogmatists were de-feated by ridicule, and Dai went on to write two more novels before the cultural freeze of the late 1980s, which culminated in the tragedy of the Tiananmen Square massacre.

John Cheek . . . after the invasion he was among the most effective international speakers for the Falkland islanders' cause PHOTOGRAPH: MARTIN This new polish and self-confi-dence was to help change their birthplace after the war. For a few years Cheek stayed at Cable and Wireless the change ducation, though he cal college, qualifying as a tina invaded. He had a mo-radio officer in the Merchant ment of horror at Cable and life, it can not implausibly be said, as Homer said of Ulysses, "Tell me of the man of many gifts who suffered many trials in the course of famous wars.

war and the independent houses founded, partly through his work and inspirawhen, in the 1960s, Oliver & Boyd became part of the Peartion, during the 1970s. His most important publish ing achievement, and the one perhaps closest to his beart, was the publication in 1983 of his father's translation of the

New Testament In Scots. Lorimer was born in Glas-gow, the son of William Lor-imer, Professor of Greek at St Andrews, and Marion Rose Gordon. He was educated at Shrewsbury and won an exhiauthors' work and to enable it bition to Balliol College,

Oxford, to read classics. On the outbreak of war, he enough capital to sustain enlisted in the Royal Artillery Southside. It was bought in 1975 by another new company. and, saw action at the First Battle of Alamein in 1942. As a Canongate, which had empolitical intelligence officer in barked on an ambitious but Hungary, and later Austria between 1943-45, he demon-strated an impressive grasp of high-risk programme of pub-lishing new poets and novelists. Canongate/Southside the complex situation in the prospered, at least critically for a time, because Southside region and was mentioned in projects, including translations of foreign classics and

despatches. With peace Lorimer returned to Oxford, graduatwork by modern Scottish Gaelic poets brought sub-stance to the list, and because ing in politics, philosophy and economics in 1947. In that year he met his future wife Pris-cilla Packard and joined Thomas Nelson & Sons.

of Lorimer's support and sound advice. Lorimer became founder In 1955 he moved to Oliver & president of the Scottish Gen-Boyd, one of the last remain-

son empire and was merged with Longman. In 1969 he left Robin Lorimer . . . contributions to the studies of Scottish language and literature and launched his own imstandards and to promote the publications of a number of print, Southside, with the publication of his friend Sydney ledgling companies. Goodsir Smith's Fifteen Poems By now he was largely free,

and a Play. Scottish publishing had tespite two serious illnesses. to concentrate on his own fabeen at a low ebb. and Lorvoured projects, foremost amongst them the completion imer insisted on the highest editorial, design and produc-tion standards to do justice to of his father's translation of the New Testament into Scots.

to reach beyond a parochial market. But he could not raise He was a great eccentric. His appearance, often kilted, went beyond

the merely scruffy

He and Priscilla worked tirelessly to raise funds for its publication, setting up the W L Lorimer Memorial Trust, which would subsequently fund the publication of other scholarly projects. Publication of the New Testament in Scots in 1983 contounded doubters eral Publishers Association by topping the best-seller lists which worked closely with the ing independent Scottish pub-lishing houses, as general edi-Scottish Arts Council to raise by Penguin.

great eccentric. His appear-ance, often kilted, could go beyond the merely scruffy: in charge of fire drill at Oliver & Boyd's terrifyingly ram-shackle offices at Tweeddale and literature, and of preliter ate Highland bagpipe music (ceòl-mòr or pibroch). He also took an active interest in the Court, Lorimer once dramatiwork of the Scottish National cally initiated a full-scale fire alert, having detected a burn-ing smell which turned out to Dictionary Association, of which he was a council member and vice-president. In 1982 he was elected an honorary come from his pipe singeing the pocket of his tweed jacket. fellow of the school of Scottish In conversation, whether describing the campaigns of studies at the University of Edinburgh. During his happy retirement with Priscilla on Agricola or recounting the saga of the loss and subse Loch Tummelside he success-fully translated Macheth into quent recovery of a hip-flask on a hillside, Lorimer's attenliterary Scots. tion to detail - the relevance Lorimer was a man of strongly-held convictions of which frequently escaped the listener, but never the teller - could be enlightening, whose uncompromising nature inevitably involved sacriexasperating or baffling. His fices for himself and his fam-ily, from whom he received stories were often recalled by family or friends for joyous loving support. He had a great gift for conversation and serial retelling in a sort of modern oral tradition. friendship, and was a kind, He leaves Priscilla, a son patient and utterly uncondes and four daughters.

cending mentor both to writ-ers and younger colleagues. He was a marvellous companion on hill-walks in the Scot-

tish Borders. He was also undoubtedly a

Maoist bureaucracy, and their own personal journeys of liberation away from it. Dai's experience stands out among many tragic and dev astating tales. "I was the first woman in

my family to have an educa tion...", Dai wrote in a post script to her novel Humanity "My heart brimmed over with warmth and love (for socialism)." Only after Mao died did she realise that she had been "robbed of the right to think." Now she would write "of the spark of light that shines in the abyas of darkness... of humanity". Dai was born in a small town in the central province of Anhui. Her family were in tionary behaviour" and her petty commerce and vulnera-ble to criticism for "rightism" husband divorced her for fear of political taint. - an uncle committed suicide after false accusations of theft. Dai straggled to reach university, becoming a teacher of literature in Shangrefused. Wen, again under criticism, committed suicide hai and married - like many

Chinese of that time - a in turn. Dai would have done so if friends had not watched childbood friend. Suicide would become a recurring theme when the over her. Cultural Revolution turned her world -- as it did for so many intellectuals — upside Wen. "A poet has fallen", she down. She found herself sit-ting on a committee which born from his blood." many intellectuals - upside down. She found herself sit-

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imprisonment.

Dai Houying . . . denounced Dai was criticised for supporting the student protesters but this time was not publicly condemned the poet Wen Jie - without charge - to denounced. She continued teaching at Fudan University but, like many other disillu-Wen's wife committed suicide: Dai was instructed to sioned writers, produced

much less. Perhaps she also found herself out of tune with 'investigate" the case. She and Wen became close, and both were "sent down" to the the new entrepreneurial spirit of the 1990s. countryside. Dai was then accused of "counter-revolu-Dai's death in Shanghai is

a concluding tragic irony. She was found knifed to death in an apparent robbery at har apartment. Dai often donated money to charities in her EN and Dai applied for permission to hometown in Anhui: it is suggested that her generosity might have invited an attack by a thief who believed she was wealthy. Theft and murder were rare events in the Maoist "abyss' from which she had escaped.

Several years later, Dai began writing to find some way of expressing her love for John Gittings

marry: it was

Dal Houying, writer, born 1938; died August 25, 1995

ian and historian, 81; Sonny

Rollins, jazz saxophonist, 6

chairman, Commission for

the New Towns, 77; Liz Til-

poser, 69; Bruce Yardley, cricketer, 49.

beris, editor, Harpers Bazaar, 49; Graham Whettam, com-

Sir Neil Shields, former

Face to Faith

Country torn between the mosque and the miniskirt

country's first ever pro-Islam-

Encompassing the best and worst of East and West, Tur-

ist - some would say funda-

mentalist - government as-

tions as it grapples with an eclectic choice of identities

and a government which, some say, will turn the country into a Islamist funda-

mentalist state, but which

others argue will improve life

for the vast majority. East or West? Secular or Is-

lamist? Which way should Tur-

key turn and how long before

to implode amid the tensions

sumes power.

Vivek Chaudhary

IS FACE appeared on the early evening news just as the call for eve-Turks at the moment. These are strange days in Turkey. ning prayer blared out from stranger still if you happen to be Hindu (partially at least), the mosque across the road and the moment carried with i on holiday with a Jewish friend and her two children, a strange sense of irony. "Make the most of it," said staying with a Turk while the

my friend Mehmet holding aloft a glass of beer in one hand and a cigarette in another. "It could be our last bit of alcohol for a long time. Who knows what this guy's going to get up key is a country of bizarre contradictions and juxtaposi-

The "guy" on the evening news was Necmettin Erbakan who had that balmy afternoon, as we lazed on the balcony of Mehmet's flat in Istanbul supping chilled beer, been installed as prime minister of Turkey. His Islamist Refah party had just become the senior partner in a coalition with the centre-right Truth Party. Perfect timing one might think, for the pro-Islamist Erbakan to appear on national television just as the

between the varying factions call to prayer is going out across the country. The prospect of beer going of Islam vying for power? At times, Turkey represents the liberal face of Islam, a face out of stock however, is the least of the worries plaguing of the religion barely seen or acknowledged by the West.

Drive through any resort along its idyllic southern coas and young Turks can be seen loitering outside bars with the local mosque barely a stone's throw away. Their appetite for foreign girls and Rakhi, the local liquor, has become legendary.

Stroll through my friend's neighbourhood, and young women, wearing miniskirts with tops that expose their midriffs can be seen walking alongside women wearing veils and long dresses. A nearby nightclub, one of the best in Istanbul, is packed

every night in the summer with young Turkish couples smooching on the dance floor, wearing the latest European fashions. The music however, is unmistakably Turkish, the smooching perhaps a little at odds with the edicts of the new it becomes yet another country

eovernment.

women are wearing veils, the men support long beards, and tourists wearing shorts draw strange looks. Turks have, until now at least, been comfortable with Islam and the libe; al dimen-

they are positively proud of it claiming that it is possible to be Muslim and liberal at the same time. After all, there can't be many Muslim countries where the offical day of rest is Sunday not Friday; where a cathedral stands in the middle of the capital city and Jewish cemeteries lie yards

N OBODY epitomised Tur-key better than my friend Mehmet and his family. His father almost fell over laughing when we told him that my friend was Jewish, and that she was worried about staying with the family He was well versed in the poli-tics of the Middle East and knew as much about Palestine

as he did his own country. "No problem," he told her, grinning. "Of course you are welcome here. You have to understand that Turks aren't like that. We are Muslims but that doesn't mean we can't be friends with other religions." Mehmet's father fasts every ear, visits the mosque every Friday but still enjoys a drink, plays cards with his friends

have room for everyone in this country," he said proudly. But the question many fam-ilies like Mehmet's are asking themselves is how long? His sister Nefa, a qualified doctor, says she is proud of being a Muslim but is concerned at the emergence of Refah. She drinks and has never worn a veil — not be-cause she is opposed to it on "I don't like it." Like her father, she fasts and observe all Muslim festivals.

fessionals, there are no dilem-mas involved — they guite eas ily combine their professional, partly secular, lives with as-

pects of Islam. But already, the prospect of another Algeria or Iran hap-pening in Turkey is becoming the topic of conversation at dinner tables in Istanbul. Many middle class Turks are already collecting foreign cur rency should they have to flee if Refah emerges with a stronger majority at the next elec-tion. It could then implement fundamentalist policies, a move many feel it can't make at the moment only because it is locked into a coalition government.

Vivek Chaudhury, a Hindu, is a Guardian reporter.

Weekend Birthdays Journos who keep their appointments with Michael with smooth narratives of wry angst and discreet success through novels and plays. Except that in the de-tails, this surreal gawk he were starring in the Bayeaux Tapestry; "I don't like having sticky fingers," he said, explaining his exit for a quick surgical scrub after each separate olive he ate from a bowl during an inter-For her and many other proview. Then there's the lope,

the lateness and the height "Doors have often been a problem." Also the non-connection with the world's standard operating procedures; "He once tried to order lobster with endives in a Man-chester slum pub," said his news editor on the Guardian, and his lady, Claire Tomalin, says that life with him means

"running in an evening dress in the rain". There's the boldness — when he ran out of celebrities for his column, he invented them, the journalistic equivalent of stand-up comedy; his translations of Chekhov reclaimed the comedy in the plays — about awkward sods sitting around

Russian estates not getting it. getting it on, or getting on



with it. This is the loon who celebrated disorder in the play Alphabetical Order, and predicted Internetty living in the novel A Very Private Life. Bet he's wild at heart.

Today's birthdays: Professor Malcolm Bradbury, novelist, 64; Kevin Curran, crick-eter, 37; J Paul Getty II, phi-lanthropist, 64; Peter Gill, playwright, associate director, Royal National Theatre, 57; Margaret Hampshire, educationalist, 78; Dianne Hayter, chief executive. European Parliamentary Labour Party, 47; Lord Jenkin of Roding, former Conservative minister, 70; Elia Kazan, author and film director. 87: Sir Brian Pippard. emeritus professor of physics Cambridge, 76; Gordon Rich-ards, racehorse trainer, 66; Michael Robbins, antiquar-

Tomorrow's other birthdays: Jeannette Altwegg, ice skater, 66: Mike Aaronson director-general. Save the Children, 49; Frankie Ava lon, singer, 56; Prof Sir Derek Barton, organic chemist, 78; Graham Bradley, jockey, 36; Ian Davidson, Labour MP, 47; Sir Peter Maxwell Davies, composer, 62; Anne Diamond, televi-sion presenter, 42; John Garrett, Labour MP, 65; Judith Hann, broadcaster, 54; Rachel Hunter, actress, 28; Fred Jarvis, former general secretary, NUT, 72; Sir Denys Lasdun, architect, 82; Geoff Miller, cricket coach, 44: Vice-Admiral Sir Roy Newman, 61; Alan Oliver, showjumper, 64; Jack Rosenthal, playwright, 65; Yves St Martin, jockey, 55; Sir Harry Secombe, comedian and singer, 75; Prof Ernst Sondheimer, mathematician, 73; Gary Speed, footballer, 27; Dame Guinevere Tilney, campaigner for women's rights.

sion of their society. In fact, away from Muslim ones.

Barely a mile away in one of Refah's strongholds and all the

Robert Lewis Campbell Lorimer publisher, born September 1918; died August 22, 1996 every night, and does not in-sist on his wife wearing a veil. "People don't seem to under stand our type of Islam. We

Charles Wild

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A tartan **U-turn** And the sooner the better

IN POLITICS as in business there are times to cut your

losses. Such a moment has arrived for the Labour Party longer be imported. The primary health-care system has in Scotland. Its plan to hold not one but two referencollapsed, along with water dums on devolution got more laughs than any stand-up and sanitation provision. Uncomic on the Edinburgh Fringe: but it was laughter of treated sewage is contaminatthe wrong sort. laced with justifiable derision. If Labour ing drinking water. causing major outbreaks of life-threat fell into so disastrous a muddle in opposition, people ening diseases such as typhoid asked, what on earth would it do in government? In and dysentery. Glasgow this week the Prime Minister had sport with what he called a "steeplechase" of stupidity and the World Health Organisation suggest that half a million Nationalists were able to contrast the simplicity of their message of independence in Europe with the now children have died as a direct ludicrously extensive set of fences over which a Home result of sanctions - one every six minutes. At Ibn-alrule Bill, until recently simply dependent on a Labour Baladi hospital in Baghdad I witnessed the death of eightelectoral victory, would be made to jump. More ominously, the SNP are moving up in the opinion polls and month-old Ali Hassan from di are four points short of their historic high point - the arrhoea. His life could have been saved with simple antibisecond election of 1974 when they took 33 per cent of the otics. I also witnessed the grief vote in Scotland and 11 seats. of his mother. Like many of

Labour's support for devolution has always contained a large element of pragmatism: above all it is designed to stop the Nationalists in the old industrial heartlands. But home rule within the Union is not a simple concept were it so, then one of the many devolutionary propos als brought before Westminster since the 1890s would by now have succeeded. The devolution quagmire of the seventies ultimately led to the defeat of the Callaghan Government, and Mr Blair will be well aware of its August 30). Imagine my disapperils. It would be a bitter irony were his progress in pointment when, hot on the middle England and the City boardrooms threatened by a sudden collapse in the Scottish bedrock.

vative poster campaign, the Had shadow Scottish Secretary George Robertson Labour Party newsletter, The simply faced down the criticism that greeted the Rose, arrived announcement of the first referendum, the disillusion Not only did we receive the felt by Labour's partners in the Scottish Constitutional June issue on August 28, but its content was confined to in-forming me of what the Tories Convention would have been manageable. It is hard to dispute the principle that an important constitutional have not done, rather than change should receive direct popular endorsement. Mr Labour policies. It also took Robertson was rattled in the first place by Tory attacks the form (rather insultingly) on the "tartan tax" which the Government asserts will of a tabloid, including pretty flow from a tax-raising Scottish parliament and in the pictures and shiny children. The back page contained second by recriminations about a diluted commitment "jokes" guaranteed to wipe any smile off your face, and a from within the broad devolutionary camp and the nationalist wing of his own party. The result was the multiple-choice quiz intended curious fudge of a second referendum. Devolution may to make you look at the state that the country is in. thanks be designed to head off nationalist sentiment, but there are better reasons why Parliament should support it. A to the Conservatives. Hilary Thornton. The Playground, Scottish parliament will not only give Scotland a chance to express its distinctive values within the Union, but Iowe Lane, Goxhill, will address a real democratic deficit in Scotland, ruled North Lincolnshire DN197JE by an oligarchy of quangos loaded with government sympathisers. The powerful Labour regions have been AM now 80 and I still remem ber the joy and enthusiasm I felt at the 1945 Labour landdismembered in a reform of local government imposed without consultation in the most squalid traditions of slide with a programme to gerrymandering. Scottish devolution is a trail-blazer for deal with the need for equality more general constitutional change. The most immediof opportunity in education. ate consequence is that the number of Scottish MPs at for a good health service available to everyone and for finan-Westminster will have to be reconsidered, as will the cial support for the less fortuplace of the Scottish Secretary in the Cabinet. Labour's nate, the unemployed, the sick

Letters to the Editor

Hospitals which were once

regional referral centres lack

Operations are being per-

formed literally in the dark,

because light bulbs can no

Reliable estimates from the

Generation gap

WILL be 18 next March. old

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Battle joined over Iraq

VISITED Iraq last April as | us, she could not understand why her child had been pun-ished for the actions of the a member of the Centre for Economic and Social tights team to which Mag-Iraqí government. Jean Lennock. gie O'Kane refers (Burden Health Development falls on the sick and the hungry, September 5). investi-Information Project, gating the impact of sanctions Ramallah. on health services. What I wit-West Bank. nessed is a human tragedy.

HAT is needed is an unequivocal policy towards Iraq and the peoples of Kurdistan in which both they and Saddam know the most basic equipment, in-cluding oxygen, anaesthetic agents and foetal monitors. where the US stands. The knee-jerk reaction of Bob Dole, advocating the rejection of "986", the oil-forfood resolution, is fundamentally misconceived. Resolution 986, under the supervision of some 200 UN monitors, will bring food and medicine to the four million Iragis, including Kurds, who are destitute. These are the people we need to be support-ing if we genuinely wish to see an end to Saddam. Clive Furness. Cmpn Against Repression & for Democratic Rights in Iraq. PO Box 210, London N165PL

EADING the letters (September 5) condemn-ing the US raids on Iraq 7 Claremount Road, Boothtown. Halifax HX36NX. makes me wonder whether the

I HEAR MRS MAJOR'S

world has learned anything from the history of the last 60 vears. I doubt whether any of these

moaning minnies were even alive when Hitler, with the general approval of the West, marched into Austria in 1938 where he was received with open arms, just as Saddam was received by one faction of the Kurds. Had the world in 1935 and

1938 thought less of legal niceties and more of stopping Hitler in his tracks, the calamities of the second world war and the Holocaust might have been avoided. Full marks to the Americans. Henry Mortimer. 140 Carisbrooke Road, Leicester LE2 3PE. ET'S see. That's 44 Tomahawk cruise missiles so far at a million dollars each, and still no sign of Saddam quitting. Surely a greater de-stabilis ing effect (with fewer casualties) would be achievable by air-dropping \$44,000,000 cash over Baghdad or the Republican Guard's barracks? Arthur Wardell.

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President Clinton may be "sending scrong messages to Saddam Hussein" but he is also helping to create a genera tion of young people in the Arab world who loathe and resent the West in general and American "leadership" in particular. Cathy Aitchison. 141 Portnali Road.

assumed world isoder.

London W93BN. F Steve Baughn (Letters. August 30) really wants the RAF to buzz off, the solution is now at hand - he must put up a windmill. Last month. Wing Commander Bryan Collins testi-

fied at a public inquiry on a proposed wind farm of five wind turbines on 150ft towers into work. that they were hard to see from seven-mile-a-minute low-fiving planes, and that they might look like another plane on the pilot's radar. Accidents could happen. This will be good news for Saddam Hussein and anyone else who feels menaced by our murderous air force. Roger Franklin. Tickmorend House. Glos GL6 OPE.

US lackey

Horsley

Stroud.

PETER Preston (No fatted Calf for the prodigal Unesco. September 6) lucidly shows how the United Kingdom is prepared to follow in the footsteps of the United States.

In refusing to return to Unesco membership, it denies UK scientists, educators and those working in the fields of culture and communication fully to participate in valuable Unesco initiatives. Initiatives that Douglas Hogg and his successors have acknowlthe consumer too much. Giving the money to the Treasury will not put this edged to be of such value that could the government only af-ford the \$11 million, it would So why the delay? Can it b continuing pollution in the

true that Malcolm Rifkind is more keen to listen to the US isolationists than to Unesco's (Dr) Maurice Goldsmith. 3 Whitehall Court. London SWLA 2EL.

Helping the poor but not the rich ing commitments. Rising tax yields from growth would take UR tax proposals will N PLAYING out his role as

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indeed nelp the lowsome time to come on stream. paid (Leader, Septem-So utility companies, in setber 5). Our long-term objective ting the level of charges to the is to have a new, lower starting rate of tax of 15p, or preferconsumer, would be effectively setting the level of taxably 10p, in the pound, so as to ation. This means that the tax help people off benefit and into is a proposal to privatise conrewarding work. Our protrol of taxation. The constitu-tional implications of that posal stands in contrast to the Conservatives' objective of abolishing Capital Gains Tax proposal need some thought. and Inheritance Tax. half the benefit of which will go to Malcolm Bruce MP. Treasury Spokesperson. Liberal Democrats, some of the richest 5,000 House of Commons, people in Britain. Whilst our proposals would London SW1A 0AA

benefit all taxpavers, they would in particular help the low-paid move up the employ-ment ladder by reducing marsive income-tax policy. The ginal rates of tax for those on low earnings and therefore Tories' Labour Tax Bombshell campaign was very effective in 1992. You are quite provide an incentive to get Our proposals have a signifright to argue for raising tax allowances, adjusting highericant advantage over alternarate thresholds and increas-

ABOUR has to be very careful if it wishes to ad-

vocate a more progres-

better off, and all but, say, the

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One problem for Labour is

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top 20 per cent need to see that

tive proposals to raise per-sonal allowances. Raising ing the top rate (currently 40 these allowances helps per cent). However, the Conservatives would again use higher-rate taxpayers more this to scare floating voters unless Labour published dethan lower- and middle-income families. For example, tailed figures saying exactly blanket rise in allowances gives double the benefit to 40 what effect this will have on per cent taxpavers as com-pared with those paying the 20 people's incomes Low earners need to be able to see clearly that they will be

per cent marginal rate. Furthermore, increasing allowances does little to reduce the very high marginal tax rates facing the low paid Alistair Darling MP. Shadow Chief Secretary to the Treasury. House of Commons. London SWIA 0AA

eral. Therefore individuals are concerned about taxation ABOUR'S windfall tax on incomes slightly higher than their own. has more disadvantages **Richard Mountford**. than you have listed 76 Springfield Road, Birmingham B14 7DY: (Tories dig in on tax, September 6). The windfall tax can only be justified by the claim that the utility companies N his search for Labour tax

cuts, John Major should that they have invested too litand Hove. Labour-run Brightle, or that they have charged ton Council has cut its shareof council tax for three years. running. Year after year Brighton residents have paid right. The windfall tax must be paid for either in excessive the lowest council tax in East Sussex whilst enjoying the biggest range of services. This charges to the consumer, or in year we cut our share of the tax hill by one third -- the drinking water and continuing sewage on the beaches.

country's biggest drop. (Cllr) Steve Bassam. There is no such thing as a free tax. Moreover, Labour Leader, Brighton Council. proposes to use the windfall 25 Church Place. Brighton BN2 5JN tax to meet continuing spend-

A Country Diary

.................................. NORTH PEMBROKESHIRE: boglands. Squelch, squelch A month ago I had the plea-Another sunny day, we invessure of a Field Studies course ligated National Trust lime at Orielton, South Pembroke-shire, devoted to dragonflies. stone areas, enjoying the plants, like the bristling Vi-In this rich dragonfly county per's bugloss, butterflies and their caterpillars — thistles country as a whole. This being chewed by the solitary achievement was thanks to leadership, high leader

Ē Mrs Major's minor problem

R MRS MAJORS A M&S RAISED A LITTLE PERSONNEL

COMPLAINT

AM amused at the trotting out of Mrs Major by the Con-servative Party in its attempt to appeal to the women voters (Stormin' Norma braves Scots' no-fly zone. September

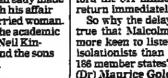
This mousy lady may be pleasant epough but she does not appear to have had much success in the upbringing of her son. He was known as a football hooligan at school.

and was certainly not academically bright. He became a trainee manager at Marks & Spencer and has already made

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the headlines with his affair with an older married woman Compare this to the academic achievements of Neil Kin-nock's children and the sons of Harold Wilson. J Carroll. 42 Pollards Hill South,

return immediately,



How trade unions can work to mutual advantage

S A retired senior trade union official I welcomed trade unions into the 1990s by Geoff Mulgan's call (Union future in mutual satisfaction, September 3) for trade unions to reconsider their role in the consideration are: 24-hour telephone advice lines on penradically changed labour mar ket of the 1990s. sions, benefits, debt and

However, I fear that trade unions are, by and large, cul-

ward business of training. the major unions, which are social-security contributions determined to retain their and employment law. autonomy. Some ideas needing urgent

Mr Mulgan bases this sce-nario on the falling rate of union membership. Has it not occurred to him that one of the reasons for this is the Tory industrial legislation which money management "surger-

have been ripping off the consumer. This must mean either

ce of proportional r parliament makes it harder for it to resist its application at UK level, and the principle that decision-making should be brought near to the people it affects is ostensibly endorsed even by the Tory Europhobes.

If Labour's muddle in Scotland has been risible, the cynicism of the Tory tactics is scarcely less so. Scottish Secretary Michael Forsyth puts on the kilt for the premiere of Braveheart and persuades the Queen to return the Stone of Destiny to Scotland. He and the Prime Minister talk up nationalism, praising its clarity. This is a masquerade. Their real purpose is to split the opposition vote, and a small Tory recovery along with the SNP rise in the polls suggests that the tactic is having some slight success. Labour has given them further ammunition. It is now in the throes of ditching its commitment to a second referendum. It can't be discarded too quickly. Better a short-season of comedy than a long-running farce.

Blues see red

Chelsea's Trojan Horse

LABOUR'S strategists were quite right to be quietly gloating over yesterday's revelation that Matthew Harding the City financier and vice chairman of Chelsea Football Club had given the party £1 million. What was interesting was not just that it was a record individual donation to Labour of transfer fee proportions (and the second donation of £1 million in a week) but where it came from. Chelsea has hitherto been seen almost as a Tory fieldom - run by Ken Bates, a Tory voter, and with John Major and David Mellor as its most prominent supporters (until Mr Major was persuaded last year to stay away after supporters barracked him believing he brought the team bad luck). Although no one has done a survey it is probable that Chelsea supporters contain a higher share of Tory-inclined voters than most other clubs.

Mark Lawson Supporters may jest that £1 million could have been used to buy another player (or at least a downpayment on one) but it is Mr Harding's own money and the way he chose to spend it couldn't have been more hurtful to Mr Major. The successful City businessman said bluntly he regarded Mr Blair's Labour Party as the true case with individuals - the party of enterprise and added yesterday: "I really feel long hair and jeans in middle that what New Labour under Tony Blair's leadership is age, the sudden interest in new rock bands, the trophy trying to do is the right thing at the right time. In America you can be fabulously wealthy and be a wife Democrat and nobody blinks an eyelid. As we come tions. Here the process is towards the millennium I think it's a great opportunity more literal - seeking to bring back lost youths to the for the whole country to rethink how it is governed. fold - but even more queasy. Ouch. It was as if Vinny Jones announced he was The venerable newspaper becoming a Quaker. with its strenuously irrever

Mr Harding has at least been practising what he ent teenage magazine; the an-cient bank with its bribes of preaches by sinking his own savings into improve-CDs and concert tickets to ments in Stamford Bridge's infrastructure which, together with Football Trust money and the construcnew depositors. And now, this tion of a hotel, will produce a kind of Keynesian week, the Christian churches of Britain with their latest adregeneration. If the rest of industry had followed vertising campaign. Chelsea's example, the recovery of the economy would In lurid purple, green and have been much more robust. Of course, part of orange, the posters show three Chelsea's revival is down to the traditional British vice cartoon monarchs above the copyline: "Bad Hair Day?! of buying imports (manager Ruud Gullit and sundry You're a virgin, you've just European stars). But they are classy players who have given birth and now three boosted the image of a club renowned for its rough kings have shown up." In edges. In this sense Chelsea may be a metaphor for the Labour Party as it moves itself subtly upmarket,

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and the aged. Are we now being asked to believe that those needs have changed? Surely not. They are eing added to by the widespread homelessness, the dan-

gerous army of hopeless, frustrated youth and by the environmental threat of pollu tion and transport chaos. Or are we now being asked to believe that the 1945 Labour gov ernment (Old Labour) failed in its methods of implementing the Welfare State? Again, surely not. to members.

I cannot believe that today's problems, of such magnitude, can be tackled instead via privatisation, so-called market forces or the odious National Lottery. Joan Buck.

HE attempt to redis-

cover lost youth is gen-

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This is certainly the

11 Coombe Road,

Otford, Kent.

tive pext meets. The TUC is denied the powers and resources to bring

turally and structurally incapable of any such radical action. Only John Monks, gen eral secretary of the TUC seems to have understood the problem. The culture of the large unions is one of chauvinism caused by the practical needs of recruiting new members in fiercely competitive world, of the need to "rubbish" competitor unions, and for the

This chauvinism leads to

period than six weeks, or

ies" in major supermarkets; more TV advertising; and promotion of credit unions as an alternative to the greedier hanks John Dempsey. Sandhurst Avenue. Lytham St Annes, Lancs FY8. GEOFF Mulgan would have us all join an "employee mutual" which would be

charged with "organising, managing and selling labour union's lay executive need to demonstrate one-upmanship on behalf of its members". He then goes on to describe it as 'a hybrid of existing types of organisation". You bet it is. It appears to be a combination of tunnel vision, so that no one is prepared to plan over a longer the worst types of employwhenever the national execument agencies which are currently "selling" labour to

firms in order that the latter may dispense with the awk-

has made trade unions virtually powerless and, therefore, hardly worth joining? Walter Cairns. 836 Wilmslow Road, Manchester M20 8RP, CR any of Geoff Mulgan's ideas to become reality it

must be remembered that there is no right of representation or recognition in Britain. This has been the major factor in inhibiting the role and development of trade unions. There is an immediate need for a labour code which establishes the international standards and legal obligations of freedom of association and collective bargaining. John C Foster. General Secretary, NUJ. 314-320 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8DP.

group enthusiasm and watched greater horseshoe remarkable visual acuity — bats sailing through the dusk spotting an unusual larva making little pipistrelles case on the edge of a large seem even smaller. On Dowreedy pond is a good example of that. Once under the microrog Common we had tiny frogs scrambling over our boots holding our attention whilst horsefiles turned us scope it declared itself to be a Migrant Hawker, the first time it had been found breedinto swollen wrecks with ing as far north as Dowrog their painful bites. We picked up some dead specimens. Common. Such discoveries may seem slight, but here we were, adding to the sum of Looking at a dragonfly's eyes through a microscope is thrilling. They may have up to 30,000 facets which appear like minute lenses. Now entomological knowledge. That day the sun shone, the insects flew. Another day it rained. Mist lay on the hills. floods and gales turn the joys Did this deter our captains? Not a whit. Off we set to find of summer into the pleasures of memory, but Orielton the Southern Damselfly in the remains. Contact FSC Preston Preseli Hills. They were lying Mountford, Shrewsbury SY4 IHW and have fun. AUDREY INSCH low in reeds and grass beside their favoured slow-flowing

Bad hair campaign doesn't have a prayer

at a church near you

Baptist to such a happening. The phrase "bad hair day" But the sensible objection to this phrase's strange journey from trichology to theology is not that it might hurt but that derived from the female experience of mornings when the coiffure mysteriously subverts the money spent on it. The trichologist Philip Kingsit won't work. The campaign is not witty or apt — the only real bad hair day in scripture was Samson's — and it shows no attempt to address the conley claims to have coined it as early as the 1950s, but in recent years it emerged among teenagers on the American west coast to refer to a day of general mishaps and

its central element - an in-

their egos. The ageing respond because the churches address the question of death. To those in their second decade, however, organised religion represents restriction and moderareportedly complained to his senior at Canterbury. This is

servatives have in the last dedilemma posed by the church campaign seem to the young? cade selected two territories for their struggle against the liberals: gender and language. In the latter area, already forced to surrender the authorised version and the book of common prayer, they have grimly awaited the day when they turn up for Sunday service to hear a reading from

round their house. Apart from the fact that the poster seems

works. A Stephen King spin on scripmuch smaller, white type, the like, sorted', said Jesus." For ture might have been more

baby boy. And the state wants him dead". But the real diffi-culty is the "happy ending" that the advert promises to those whom the poster lures to a service. In Christian terms, ers. Being efficiently cynical is what business is about. The the "happy ending" is eternal churches are being cynically life, but, as rock music and suicide rates demonstrate, the inefficient Intriguingly, another

young are half in love with the idea of early death. religion exercises most hold in the early and the late stages of life. Young children warm to the Christmas story, because

Cynical English ears will delight in hearing the mantra-word

as 'trussed'

as dangerous. The brewers Carlsberg Tetley marketed "Thickhead", the latest in a line of so-called "alcopops", ested in getting drunk; Carls-berg-Tetley set out to help them. This is how advertising

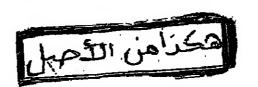
I am not suggesting that the churches should advertise their eucharistic services bottom line invites the viewer | them. the current advertising | promising: "You're a virgin. | with the slogan "The drinks | ends with the young people | shippers. As if.

to: "Find out the happy ending | campaign is playing John The | You're about to give birth to a | are on us this Sunday" but to | dancing around happily in an argue that the whole point of image of harmony, illustrat-commercialism is that it must ing the church's slogan: "Im-appeal to the desires or preju-dices of the targeted consum." World." This advertisement is crude

and naive - cynical English ears will delight in hearing

the mantra-word as "Trussed" — but, while it will church is about to launch an advertising campaign. Following the April decision by the Independent Televi-sion Commission to permit it win no awards as art, the piece shows a sophisticated understanding of its market. Where the C of E — commendably but hopelessly to proselytise on the airscouts for new recruits among the streetwise young who have other things to do, waves, the Church of Scientology will shortly begin to chase souls on the cable chanthe wily Scientologists pick a nel, UK Gold. Now the scienfight they can win, seeking tologists may be a shadowy outfit of brainwashing their harvest of souls among the lonely and insecure. Note weirdos but they know all how they have also chosen about securing youthful fol-lowers: witness their long his-pitch. UK Gold is a channel tory of targeting disillusioned students in high streets with that screens only classic repeats, thereby offering the scientologists a perfect target those "personality tests" designed to confirm that the apaudience of nostalgics who plicants don't have one. Ac-cordingly, their own grab ad have no alternative but to fill their evenings with reruns of makes an interesting comparsit-coms from a period in their lives when they rememison with the Anglican one. The scientology commerber being happy.

cial makes no concessions at all to shifts of fashion in lan-The sellers of the drink Thickhead knew the tactics guage or broadcasting. Visubut finally - to the relief of ally, it most resembles Cocamost parents and teachers -Cola advertisements of the under-estimated the rules of a early seventies: a parade of heavily regulated profession. shiny hopeful young faces speaks the single word The Church of England, however, are simply being thick-Trust", initially in English heads if they think that a bit and then in major internaof street talk is going to fill tional languages. The piece their pews with youthful wor-



cerns of those it hopes to unhappiness. It still awaits listing in the Oxford English Dictionary but is preserved in that populist receptacle of streetwise lexicography: the 1995 American movie Clueless,

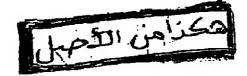
fant with special powers - is both recognisable from their experience and appealing to The use of this expression by the Churches Advertising Network, the marketing arm of English protestanism, has given many in the C of E a bad mitre day. The Archbishop of York, Dr David Hope, has

tion at a time when their intellects and hormones are not surprising for church conexcess How relevant will the

directed only at female teenagers, this scenario sounds tethe gospel containing the words: "Right, then, that's, dious rather than frightening.

the horror of being a pregnant hard. Here was an advertiser virgin with three Prince that understood how to push a Charles-type guys hanging product. The young are inter-

interested in liberty and so that it has been withdrawn They are asked to contemplate | drinks that look soft but taste



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The Guardian Saturday September 7 1996 Give the Kurds room to breathe

Commentary

Martin Woollacott

..................... URING the euphoric days of the Kurdish uprising in March, 1991, one of the most exotic spectacles was that of tribal leaders arriving in the mountain resort town of Salahuddin near Arbil to pledge themselves to the revolution. They came by land cruiser and jeep, most dressed in splendid Kurdish clothes, and were addressed in a hotel conference hall by Massoud Barzani

and other leaders of the two big Kurdish political parties. There are 60,000 rifles in that room, a Kurd told wondering foreign journalists outside the hall. He was referring to the private armies maintained by these chiefs, private armies which until a week or so before had been at the service of Saddam Hussein, but whose

swift change of allegiance had | a kinship or tribal core at the overturned the dictator's | centre and an outer circle of centre and an outer circle of clients and dependents, all regime in Northern Iraq as much or more than any needing help, favours, and expecting to use their connec-tions. If you walk into a Kurd-ish party office at a certain attacks by guerrillas of the Kurdish Democratic Party and the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan. There was something of pre-Culloden Scotland here, something of the clan chief down to lunch — staff, their something of the clan chief quoted by John Prebble, in one visitors, visitors, Free lunches cost money, as does free ammunition, free trans-port, assistance with health of his books, saying that his "rent roll consisted of 500 fighting men". Kurdish society in Iraq, Tur-key, and Iran has a tribal qualcare and education: there are an endless number of things a ity, or, more correctly, is a muddle between modern and Kurdish leader is supposed to lay on for his followers. The attractiveness of this hospitaltribal social formations, a ity and communality is obvi-ous, but the relentless presmuddle made even more confused by the impact of oppressive central governments, with sure on leaders to procure the their programmes of forced relocation and their tendency means for it is the major weak-ness of Kurdish society. It divto kill or imprison the edu-cated class. The lives of many ides men who have no alterna tive, as it seems, but to dispute the resources they all need to revolve around kin, clan and tribal confederation, in any case around leaders who dis-pense money, land, and jobs in survive, or go outside to get them, thus giving distant power centres a way to control Kurdish society. exchange for loyal service, including armed service. The truly tribal part of society is Indeed, the tanks and war-planes the enemies of the

now the smaller part, but the other is still marked by the old patterns. The political parties Kurds can bring to bear are

regimes around Kurdistan both impose on Kurds and use against them. In these dismal days of Kurdish division, the Salahuddin meeting is worth remembering both because it recalls a time when all ele-ments of Kurdish society were united, and because it illustrates the quasi-feudal pro-cesses that have undermined that unity. The difficulty of keeping these processes at bay runs in parallel, among Kurds, with a craving for a more modern way of living and of politics. But how to escape them, without normal economic growth, without normal political life, without a release from

constant threat? The Kurds, it should be in-sisted, are as human in their quarrels as they were in their united and heroic efforts. The argument that they have thrown away their chance by bloody-mindedness and that the West is therefore justified in abandoning them is wrong. "Brought it on themselves" is a balk buth The full turth is a half truth. The full truth is much more on the other side, that the Kurds resisted the div-isive forces in their society for a long and increasingly diffi-cult period during which the West, seconded by the rest of the world, denied them the means of unity. International gencies refused to deal with the Kurdish authorities di-rectly, allowing Saddam to steal funds and aid goods. Pro-

grammes to restore the Kurd-ish economy, devastated by Saddam, were quietly aban-doned. The seed and fertiliser, the agricultural tools, the help with landmines came late or not at all. In the end it was Saddam who manipulated the

who made money supplying Iraq through Kurdistan, leav-ing the Kurdish parties to quarrel pathetically over the customs dues collected from Turkisb lorry drivers. A healthier economic life would have produced a sur-plus to be shared by the par-ties rather than one not big enough to go round. But it would do the Iraqi Kurds an injustice to maintain that eco-nomic difficulties alone undermined unity. Just as they waited ed for economic help, so they also waited for the forceful outside action that would bring Saddam down, so that a a fed-erated Iraq could be created. Since that action never came, they were forced to reconsider the options. There were real differences, going back to the time immediately after the uprising, and referring to events

long before, over the right strategy for national survival. Shafe and sedentary Westerners may up-braid the Kurds for falling out, but Westerners have no experience of a politics constantly stained by blood and informed by the bit-ter knowledge of choices made in the past that led to the death of family, friends, and follow-ers, and to genocidal warfare. David McDowall, in his history of the Kurds, quotes one of the tribal leaders who were at Salahuddin as telling Barzani in earlier years:"My vil-lages are still standing and are still wealthy, my people still dress as Kurds, speak Kurdish and have a good life. Look what your nationalism has other is still marked by the old not the greatest weapon they not at all. In the end it was done for you. Your villages are objections, gives the Kurdish patterns. The political parties possess against them. The Saddam who manipulated the destroyed, your people forcibly economy room to breathe and carry on with some of these greatest weapon is the social Kurdish economy for his own re-settled, you live in exile, of getting rid of Saddam.

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS 9

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Why call me a traitor?" The broad distinction between the PUK leader, Jalal Talabani, and Massoud Barzani of the and Massoud Barzani of me KDP is that the latter was and is much less inclined to trust the West, remembering the way in which the United States betrayed the Kurdish cause, his father, and his tribe, in 1975. He was therefore driven to contemplate the possibility, perhaps with reproaches of the kind quoted above also in mind, that a deal with Saddam might be the least of evils. Talabani, of the same mind back in the seventies and briefly again just after the uprising, came to be convinced of the opposite, that no deal with Saddam could ever work. He was thus an advocate of the Western protection Turkish intervention, and, recently, of Iranian help. It could now be said that both men have been proved

wrong. The prospect, not yet a reality but closer than before, of a Kurdistan bloodily disputed between Bagdad, Ankara, and Tehran opens up as Turkey piles up troops on the border. As to the West, the ar-gument that it should play a passive role is to be rejected. There is no choice in the region between meddling on the one hand and not meddling on the other. The only ques-tion is which kind of medding, and by whom? Ameri-ca's action in itself solves little. It gives Saddam pause, and could jolt the Kurdish parties into a fresh effort at recon-ciliation. That in turn, however, will go nowhere unles the West, overriding Turkish

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too.

Martin Kettle

................... ICH socialists - and even rich social demo-crats — are category busters. They embarrass the world view of both the right and the left. They upset the free-market individualist human beings are only inter-ested in accumulating per-sonal wealth. But they also ested in accumulating per-sonal wealth. But they also spoil the simplicities of the left, some of whom find it difficult to cope with people who breach its idealistic vi-sion of the wicked rich and the saintly poor. In fact, of course, the rich socialist (or even merely the

capitalist with a social conscience) is a much more common creature than such priimply. Two of the most influ-ential and rightly admired British socialists of all time, Robert Owen and William even need a four-zone Travel-Morris, were seriously card to get out to the Newswealthy businessmen, while paper Library at Colindale (this is nothing compared to rich families like the Monds, the Cadburys or more

the Bibliothèque Nationale in recently the Sainsburys have Paris, which has its annexes put at least some of their money where other people's at Versailles, Avignon and mouths are. At the less exalt-When all the old books have ed level, there are very few been scanned and digitised, socialists in my experience who would accept in practice that their principles should and the new books are made electronically, trips to the library will still be necessary. debar them from enjoying the fruits of any prosperity which comes their way. High-There will always be material

that isn't on the Internet: the manuscript hoards - for exminded or not, most people ample, the 9,000,000 scraps and drafts at the Harry Ranprefer comfort and wealth to discomfort and poverty. som Humanities Research As the son of lifelong mem-Center at the University of bers of the Communist Party Texas at Austin - and all the who were at the same time ephemera and miscellanea. lifelong small shareholders. I am well aware that people can And anyway, libraries are not primarily, as Roy Welbourn points out, "museums of live intensely committed lives points out, "museums of without always slotting into printed materials"; they are politically convenient catego workhouses as well as storeries in every way. If that makes them hypocrites, then exists. so be it. I can only conclude Many houses, and often playhouses that we live in a hypocritical

OSS SHIMMON. chief executive of the best of it that we can. I don't know whether Matthe Library Association, points thew Harding considers him-

pected libraries to function

grievance about the outcome of the 1970 Cup Final, I have no cause to warm to the vice-chairman of Chelsea on any other count either.

Yet it seems to me that Harding's donation to the Labour Party is good news and not grounds for instant suspicion. Perhaps I will live to regret this naivety, but if Labour cannot persuade at least some rich people to support it, it is engaged in a fundamentally pointless exer-cise. Labour, let us remind ourselves, is a party seeking election to government in order that it can implement a more socially just and cohesive programme for the nation. It may or may not have a precisely satisfactory programme, but if it does not reach out to more voters then it will lose its fifth general election in succession and thus fail even to get to first

Some on the left beguile themselves with the idea that it can do this without reachmuch more radica programme. Pragmatically, Labour has

no alternative but to reach to the right rather than the left - or, to put it more accurately, to reach the middle-classes as well as to the poor - if it is to win the 1997 election. But this is not just a question of electoral tactics.

Everyone on the left needs mary-school banalities would to ask themselves whether they desire a Labour government which works for or against British business. If they want a government which does the latter, then fine. But then they will also have to accept that they will be engaged in a war which they have lost before, which they will lose again, for which the country is unprepared and for which no one on the left has a serious battle-plan.

> HE alternative — and in these times the only alternative — is a strategy which reaches out to busines as it now exists with a view to cooperating with it for the common good of the nation. I am not saying that Labour has a triumphant track-record here either, or that it has a fully worked-out and plausible battle-plan for this approach any more than it does for a more antagonistic strat-egy. But I am saying that this is where the action is in the modern world as it actually

Many Labour activists are hostile to such an approach world and must simply make towards industry. They feel the best of it that we can. only unease when they see Tony Blair on a City platform or Matthew Harding writing a fat cheque for the party's recently that we have ex- kind at all. I have no idea funds. They do so for honour-



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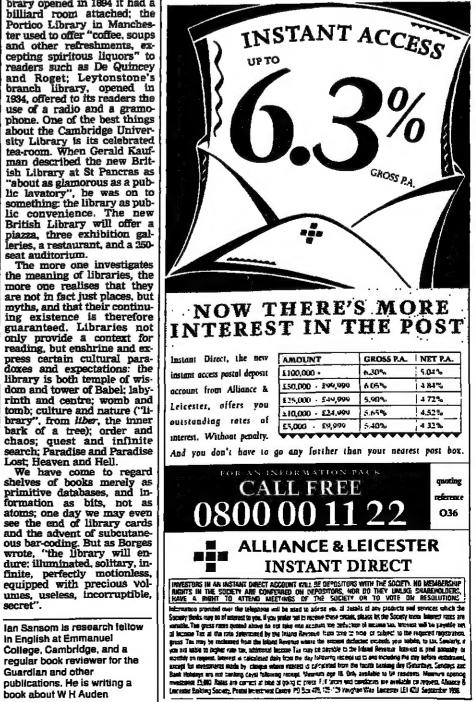
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simply as places of study and man or a bad man. But if you to provide us only with books. judge people by their deeds, there can be no arguing with Shimmon prefers a definition of a library as "a collection of the fact that a donation of £1 resources that provide access million to the Labour Party is to information, ideas and a dramatic personal act. works of imagination, regardwhatever the motives which less of format". Rightwing think tanks oclie behind it. It is only natural to be suspicious. The recent history of football-club casionally produce pamphlets

complaining that public li-braries have outlived their Labour is not exactly a happy usefulness because they one, as the examples of Owen Oyston and the monstrous Robert Maxwell prove. And, merely provide popular amusements and free enteras a Leeds United supporter time it must nev with an undimished sense of count the spoons. tainment, but they forget that

either whether he is a good able and understandabl reasons. But they are living in a world of make-believe. If Labour is to govern, it must achieve not only a new and lasting electoral majority but also a new form of political consensus. It has no serious alternative but to define a new form of hegemony to owners who have bankrolled replace the rightwing individualist version propounded by Mrs Thatcher. In doing that, it is right to embrace be - even though at the same time it must never forget to



When the British Library moves next year, it will offer greater electronic access than ever: from catalogues to digitised texts, its online resources will serve the world. But the essence of libraries will never change, argues **Ian Sansom**; we will always need their sense of place

ONCE kissed a girl in a retrieval will undoubtedly library. In the lift of the lead to new kinds of libraries North Wing of the Cam-bridge Wing of the Cam-- the Department of National Heritage's Review of the Pubbridge University Li-brary, to be exact. A kiss never tasted sweeter. In other lic Library Service In England And Wales, published last year, suggested that micro-li-braries might be established libraries I have fallen asleep and slept the dewy-feathered in shops and service stations. sleep of angels. I have laughed But the disappearance of the book does not presage the disin libraries, cried, drunk, eaten cake and argued. I have appearance of the library as we know it, because the li-brary as we know it is not just lied to get in, and begged to be let out. Like many others, I have lived the greater part of my adult life in libraries, and still do. The death of the library has recently been widely reported, but as Roy Welbourn, deputy librarian at Cambridge University Library points out, "the reports have been greatly exaggerated"

One of the early exaggera-tors was Marshall McLuhan, who in The Gutenberg Galaxy back in 1962 was claiming that: "When millions of books can be compressed in a match-box space, it is not the book merely, but the library that becomes portable."

McLuhan missed the point. The distinction he failed to make was between the book and the library, for a library is first and foremost a place; not the books or the information contained within it. Changes Wells, in his book about the in information storage and London Library, reports

and Lara of course meet in a and thief. library in Dr Zhivago. There is also the ever-present threat of violence: one cannot help but notice the sign behind the desk in Ad-

Temples of desire

vanced Reservations in the British Library, which shows a clenched fist and reads: "Working with the public may sometimes be difficult. It should never be dangerous." Libraries are in fact by their very nature dangerous places: David Vaisey. Bodley's Li-brarian at the Bodleian Library. Oxford, echoes the anonymous Ist-century Nor-man monk who wrote: "A

monastery without a library (sine armario) is like a castle without an armoury [sine ar-mamentario]," when he de-scribes libraries as "arsenals for scholarship", and the ca-tenati, the chained books of the medieval monastic li-brary, have marked the site of scholarship forever with the taint of the torture chamber. The primary relationship in the library, sexual, violent or otherwise, is between

about books. Libraries are about com-panionship. This is why the notion of "remote access" to reader and librarian. Librarians have sometimes been unfairly portrayed in film and library resources is so unattractive to many readers, since the idea of the library is television and in popular fiction, but for every Ronnie Corbett in Sorry!, there is a Carole Lombard in No Man of intimately bound up with no-tions of proximity. Proximity

Carole Lombard in No Man of Her Own, a Bette Davis in Storm Center, or a Katharine Hepburn in Desk Set. The relationship between scholar and librarian can be fraught, to say the least, and is often more a rivalry than a tions of proximity. Proximity does not necessarily mean physicality: Carlyle's great enemy Antonio Panizzi, Keep-er of Printed Books at the British Museum and the in-spiration behind the great domed Reading Room. boasted that he had "never feit the skin of any reader", and certainly not Carlyle's. collaboration, as in Umberto Eco's The Name of the Rose, in which Brother William enand certainly not Carlyle's. gages in a battle of wills with But many libraries do nonethe blind librarian, Jorge of Burgos (Eco's little joke: theless give off an erotic charge almost as powerful as Jorge Luis Borges was the famous blind librarian of the the electric charge given off by their metal shelves. John Wells, in his book about the National Library in Argen- share: the meditative silence | Radcliffe Science Library; at tina). The librarian is guide of the catalogue drawers with the British Library you might

rumours of couplings in the | and keeper of the mysteries; | their tightly packed index lifts and in the stacks, and Uri | he is also trickster, tormentor | cards; the dust jackets dis-and Lara of course meet in a | and thief. | played on notice-boards like The second most important relationship in libraries is between readers, those "cranks, hacks" and "poverty-stricken scholars" who in Louis Mac-

one in your subject who mattered."

Meeting people who matter is one thing; talking to your friends is quite another, and

perhaps more common. Libraries are never quiet - as

well as the scraping and shuf-

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and coughing, and even the occasional yelp or howL Be-

neath it all, droning on and on, is the familiar sound of

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objects, and books are only one object among many. Once you have entered your modu-lar prefab, your local Carne-gie branch library, or your

monumental research li-

brary, you enter into a relationship with all kinds of fixtures and fittings. The waxed linoleum of the old

branch libraries has now

given way to carpets, pot-plants and soft furnishings,

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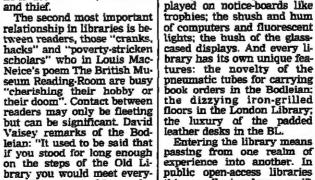
cased displays. And every library has its own unique fea-tures: the novelty of the pneumatic tubes for carrying book orders in the Bodleian: the dizzying iron-grilled floors in the London Library; the luxury of the padded leather desks in the BL.

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experience into another. In public open-access libraries this usually involves a swift and straightforward passage through the entrance, past the issue desk and into the stacks, but in the great scholarly libraries, often guarded by men in uniforms, it may involve the traversing of a grand en-trance hall, a period of wait-ing or working in a catalogue room, and then, and only then, an audience in a reading room with the books themselves (the research library is library as club, as palace and as intellectual hotel; the guards and the rules make it also library as

prison). Even inside the library it is impossible fully to escape the shelves of books merely as primitive databases, and information as bits, not as atoms; one day we may even see the end of library cards and the advent of subcutaneoutside world: the Taylorian in Oxford is next to a drop-off point for tourist buses, and there are signs in the window ous bar-coding. But as Borges wrote, "the library will enthat protest and demand, "Turn your engines off". It is no use; it is like reading in a dure: illuminated, solitary, infinite, perfectly motionless, equipped with precious volbus depot. Of course, you have to come out of any liunies, useless, incorruptible, secret". brary eventually, and often sooner rather than later: a typical day for a reader at the Bodleian might mean scut-Ian Sansom is research fellow

tling between the Old Li-brary, the New Library, Duke Humfrey's, the Radcliffe Cam-In English at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, and a regular book reviewer for the era, Rhodes House, and the Guardian and other Radcliffe Science Library; at publications. He is writing a book about W H Auden



the meaning of libraries, the more one realises that they are not in fact just places, but myths, and that their continu-ing existence is therefore guaranteed. Libraries not only provide a context for reading, but enshrine and express certain cultural para-doxes and expectations: the library is both temple of wis-dom and tower of Babel; labyrinth and centre; womb and tomb; culture and nature ('li-brary'', from *liber*, the inner bark of a tree); order and chaos; quest and infinite search; Paradise and Paradise Lost; Heaven and Hell.

this has always been the case: when the Openshaw Branch of the Manchester Public Library opened in 1894 it had a billiard room attached; the Portico Library in Manchester used to offer "coffee, soups and other refreshments, excepting spiritous liquors" to readers such as De Quincey and Roget; Leytonstone's branch library, opened in 1934, offered to its readers the use of a radio and a gramo-

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The benefits of Germany's social market system are being eroded Borrowed time by adverse conditions. Yet all is not lost, argues Mark Milner



runs out for three of Italy's buccaneers

Aristocrat achieves graceful exit but not so the politician, the engineer or the farmer, says John Glover in Milan

N THE booming eightles, suicide as debts and evi-il Contadino, il Cavaliere, l'Ingegnere and l'Avvo-ato, respectively three out-iders and the ultimate in-tiders withis for the ultimate inl'Ingegnere and l'Avvocato, respectively three out-siders and the ultimate insider, were the public faces of Italian business. In the tougher nineties, the business scene seems to

tempt to salvage his indebted empire, now finds himself a professional poli-tician and full-time defendant in numerous corruption cases

can'ts and management con-sultants, with nary a nick-name in sight. The boardroom coup at Olivetti which this week ousted l'Ingegnere (Carlo de Bene-L'Ingegnere made his name preaching — though not always practising — the virtues of doing business on the open market, as op-posed to the traditional and more discrete bank diging detti) was orchestrated by more discreet bank dining he number-crunchers and rooms. Like his peers, he has his problems with in-quisitive magistrates. Meanwhile, l'Avvocato has moved quietly upstairs. their backers at investing During the eighties, the

patrician manners of Avvo-cato Gianni Agnelli, ultimate insider and boss of Flat, brought him the title Resigning as chairman of Fiat, the aristocratic Mr Agnelli has retained his poof uncrowned king of Italy as he sold millions of Unos sition as chairman of IFI. the most important of the holding companies through which his family owns Fiat. to car buyers across the Continent. Il Contadino, "the farmer", had an altogether earthier approach. But that did not stop Raul These four faces of Ital-ian business have a com-Gardini throwing together mon element - Medioan agribusiness and chemi-cals empire (Ferruzzi/Monbanca, the secretive and powerful Milan investment tedison) that stretched across southern Europe bank headed by 89-year-old Enrico Cuccia. "il Diavolo" and into the Americas. Silvio Berlusconi, who boasts the title of "Cava-(the devil). The bank holds small, key stakes in three of the four empires. Comliere del Lavoro" as head of Fininvest, smashed Italy's stuffy state TV monopoly mercial banks in its orbit were - and are - big lend-ers to all of them and set the line for other lenders.

and set off into France and Spain with hopes of doing something similar abroad. Il Contadino's empire tee-tered on the edge of col-lapse when Mediobanca Meanwhile, engineer Mr de Benedetti swifly moved Oliwithdrew its support. Il Ca-valiere listed the most apvetti, the typewriter and office equipment firm he rescued from near-bankpetising parts of his empire to repay loans from banks raptcy, into the new - and lose to Mediobanca. On Monday, the day before his ouster. Mr De Benedetti then lucrative --- era of personal computing. With this week's addlo visited Mediobanca to ask from l'Ingegnere, all four have now left the business for its support in his five-day battle against lay battle against Francesco Caio, the new scene. However, the differ-ences in the manner of chief executive, over the figures to present to the board. He got it, until he was followed in by Mr Caio, their exits are revealing. The outsiders, buccaneer-ing capitalists all — though who persuaded the bank that the only way to avoid a short of capital have been forced to retreat. But the insider, even meltdown was to remove For l'Avvocato, though, it was all different. He got the money he needed to set Fiat his rivals to finance the growth of a multinational e problems Fiat faced on the road to revival after Mediobanca in 1993 led Itaare the same as those that laid low the three newcomly's largest capital increase for a company. A couple of years later he was able to retire in style — without shrinking margins, cash calls to pay off debt and a garnishing of corruption having to come up with a Il Contadino committed lira of his own money.

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Canyon. Is the post-war model that has served the German economy so well for half a ntury finally on the wane? Wolfgang Streeck, at the Co-

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businesses. Senior banking sources accept that the German system is not at its best when it comes to finding venture capital. Banks prefer to make loans on the basis of tangible collateral, rather

Companies, too, are a little cautious when it comes to embracing new ideas. According to Dr Hans-Joachim Hass, the director general of economic policy at the Federation of German Industries (BDI): There are certain areas of industry — like automobiles, for example, where [German] export performance is quite good and where the competiness of German сощра

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which now confront the Gerbers are threatening to quit terms which can be topped up or are actually leaving be cause they say they cannot af-ford blanket deals. Can a pay man soziale Marktwirtschaft (social market economy) can be put down, at least partially, to cyclical factors. deal which suits Germany's But others cannot simply big three chemical compa-await the next swing of the nies. BASF. Bayer and pendulum Bosses grumble Hoechst, be right for country's myriad smaller companies — or vice versa? needed to support a generous In some sectors - chemi social security system. This | cals, printing and textiles -



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gaining system has been cited as largely responsible for the low wage differentials between individuals, industrial sectors, and small and large firms.

And for Germany, globalisation of markets matters more than most, as in the early 1990s, Germany's share per head of the population of the world's visible trade was well ahead of Japan and the US — making it that much more dependent on and influenced by the international trade environment.

The same may be said of the globalisation of capital flows. In Germany's case that has seen a pick-up in both inward and outward investment, but with the latter far outstripping the former. Here again. Germany's high labour costs and inflexible labour market get the hlame. Such worries are apparently more than enough offset Germany's position as the higgest (and richest) market in the European Com-

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This has drawn attention to

the relatively (by comparable international standards) poor profits performance of corpo-

That has sparked a debate about "shareholder value" at

a time when others who may

have a greater understanding

of the concept have also

begun to talk about it. Critics

are sceptical about how

deeply corporate Germany has embraced this issue.

all German public companies now claim to

espouse shareholder value, most have nothing more in

mind than keeping their in-vestors supplied with infor-

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Others, like Dr Jurgen Pfls-

ter, head of economic research at Commerzbank,

reckons there are sharp spurs

driving German companies further down this road: "It is

now a broadly based develop-ment across the business

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nancial Times' Lex Column suggested:

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Economic growth will help. So would some easing of the costs of unification, though that burden shows little sign of being lightened.

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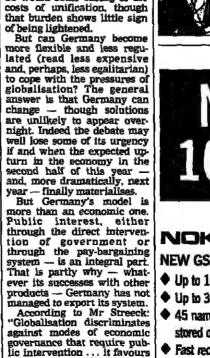
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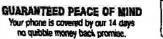
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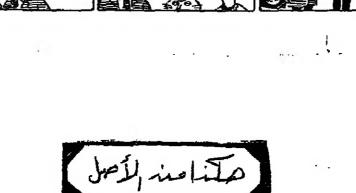
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Mike Kinskl, new Southern Water chief executive, inspects the three-mile stormwater tunnel which will prevent sewage overflow onto Brighton beach

Tory rate cut route blocked

Consumer surge reaches factories

Bark Tran in New York and Larry Elliott

HE Conservatives' hopes of further night after a rebound in UK factory output and prospects monetary policy convinced the City that borrowing costs had reached their trough.

pre-election interest months, manufacturing out-rate cuts were all put was flat, but the ONS data but snuffed out last confirmed reports from the CBI and purchasing managers that the decline in the of a tightening in American | first half of 1996 was over. Ciaran Barr, an economist

The recent upturn in Brit-ish consumer spending at last excess stocks having been

seven years.

passed." Chancellor Kenneth Clarke next meets Bank of England Governor Eddie George to discuss monetary policy on September 25, but analysts be-lieve the scope for even a quarter-point cut is slim. With the authorities already keeping a wary eye on

firm yesterday increased its forecast for house price infla-tion at the end of this year from 5 per cent to 7 per cent.

creasing at an annual rate of 10 per cent.

books improving, output is set to continue to rise in com-ing months. "This supports our view that the time for rate cuts has

The unemployment rate in August fell to 5.1 per cent from 5.4 per cent in July as the robust American econo my created 250,000 new jobs. The latest economic numbers pointed to stronger-than-expected economic growth for the second half of the year, contrary to earlier Wall

Street expectations. Wall Street analysis now expect the Fed's Open Market Committee to raise rates by at least 25 — and perhaps 50 - basis points when the central bank's policy-making body next meets, on September 24

Fed officials have been On the international scene, dropping heavy hints all pressure, August's job num-

week of an imminent rate rise, giving the markets plenty of time to anticipate monetary tightening.

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ston, argue that the Fed has fallen behind the inflation curve and think it needs to

election year but, given the unabated vigour of the cur-rent economic expansion, Fed chairman Alan Greenspan faces little choice but to break with political tradition. Otherwise, the bond market will do the job for him.

In a sign of wage inflation

bers showed a six-cent increase in the closely watched average hourly earnings of pon-farm workers, to \$11.87, following a two-cent drop in

Manufacturing showed signs of life — after declines in June and July — as jobs in the factories sector rose by 25,000

alarm to the unemployment report because it was in line

with expectations. An interest rate rise has already been priced into the market after the recent retreat in the Dow Jones Industrial Average, which fall more than 100 points last week and 49 points on Thursday

In early afternoon trading yesterday, the Dow was up

Simpson's package, which he said was worth far less than

the much-touted £2 million a

year. But he admitted: "I

don't think we have handled

Some shareholders were

not satisfied with this apol-

ogy, however. One said the

this matter very tidily."

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Frankfurt cannot claim infallibility



n a disaster for chairman Hilmar Kopper, who headed the supervisory boards of both companies and has sur-

It also was big loser in the Metallgesellschaft affair. More recently, its use of its deep pockets to mount predatory raids on the staff of com-It may be bigger than its in-vestment banking subsidiary, Morgan Grenfell, but there are few claims to the moral superiority of Frankfurt-style

Distance impeccably in standing behind the three problem Morgan Gren-fell investment funds and making good the size million making good the £180 million hole left behind by some overenthusiastic young traders: a familiar story. Moreover, Deutsche Mor-gan Grenfell's ultimate boss,

OME companies seen Shappy to act in defiance of new trends in corpo-rate practice. Often they are defence companies. One of them is Vickers.

Vickers' defence

capitalism.

This week the company let it be known that its chief ex-ecutive, Sir Colin Chandler, was to take on the dual role of chairman and chief execu-tive, despite the well known and generally accepted Cad-bury recommendations that these jobs should be split. Were it not for an assurance that the arrangement will last only a year, some big share-

holders might have been less happy to accept it. The move comes shortly after another engineering company with defence inter-ests, GKN, finally broke its re-

cord of combining the jobs. British Aerospace flirted with the idea of bringing the top jobs together when it replaced its last chairman nearly three years ago, but did the sensible

thing. This has been a ropy year for Vickers, and Sir Colin in particular. Remember his leaked memo detailing conversations with a variety of the country's most prominent defence industry chiefs about how to be rid of the turbulent Saudi dissident Mohammed al-Mas'ari.

Remember also the contro-versy that blew up over Vickers directors dealing in shares before the full implica-tions of the group's full-year results was explained to the City. The dealings happened before a collapse in the share price. Now come the propos-

and a new generation of Rolls-Royces and Bentleys — and

may need some continuity.

Also, with so many executive

changes at British engineer-

ing firms (GEC, Lucas, GKN).

there is a clear shortage of ap-

It can be argued that the group is in transition - with

Imro puts pressure on Deutsche Weinstock bows

turing production in July, with firms churning out 0.5 per cent more than in June, the Office for National Statistics said. Over the latest three

with Deutsche Morgan Gren-fell, said: "Manufacturing has

flowed through to manufac- addressed and with order

the property market, one City

Rob Thomas, bousing ana-lyst with UBS, said that by the fourth quarter of 1997 house prices would be in-

Fed officials this week de-scribed the economy as "running hot" and entering an "inflation danger zone". Some analysts, such as David Jones of Aubrey Lan-

move aggressively by boost-ing rates by 50 basis points. The Fed usually leaves rates alone in a presidential

senior as Mr Dobson to clear his desk: that, judging by the Jürgen Schneider affair, is not the Deutsche Bank way. What is disturbing, how-ever, is the suggestion that it might be better to bring Dout might be better to bring Deutsche Bank's fund management operations under the supervision of headquarters in Frankfurt. Certainly, the

City of London has had its regulatory problems. But in almost every case — Barings, Robert Fleming and now Morgan Grenfell — the difficulties were as much about the pressure which senior management/proprieters put on their

The markets yesterday staff for performance and the reacted without too much daft incentives structure which encourage people to overreach.

There is good reason to be-lieve that the regulatory structures have improved and co-ordination is better be-tween Imro and the Securities and Futures Authority since the bleakest days of the Max-

well affair. Having decided to move all of its European investment banking operations to London - in keeping with US invest-ment banks such as Morgan Stanley — it would be a retrograde step to move them back to Frankfurt.

als about Sir Colin's role. There are good practical reasons for being in London: stock markets are more liq-uid; costs are lower, and trada number of important pro-jects in their infancy namely the Challenger II tank

chief executive Michael Dobson, has been unusually frank in acknowledging a breakdown of control and supervision - a strong contrast with Barings. It is perhaps too much to expect someone as

in wrangle over compensation

Nichard Miles and Paul Marphy

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ROW over compensa-tion brought fresh pain to the 90,000 investors caught in the three stricken funds run by Morgan Grenfell yesterday, with the belea-guared investment bank in-sisting it would make no firm commitments until an investigation into dealings by suspended fund manager Peter Young is complete.

As redemption levels in the cash. three European funds hit the £200 million mark. Morgan Grenfell said it had taken no decision on whether investors should be compensated for the 5 per cent fall in the

funds' value following the resumption of trading on Thursday in the three funds which had been frozen for 72 hours.

Seasoned regulator may have to drop light touch But it is understood that Imro, the City watchdog in-Lisa Buckingham vestigating the German-owned bank, is applying pres-sure on Morgan Grenfell to TS dējā ru for Phillip Thorpe, the youthful but make a firm commitment on hard-nosed City regulator - one of whose first tasks compensation, even if that means further intervention by its parent, Deutsche Bank. was to levy a huge fine on Morgan Grenfell. The £180,000 penalty in Morgan said yesterday that it would stand by the recom-

1994 related to MG's invest-ment management depart-ment and its involvement in mendation of its regulator on the subject of compensation. Deutsche Bank has already the Maxwell affair. Two bought out much of the unyears later, other weakquoted stock at the centre of the joint Morgan-Imro invesnesses have emerged that Mr Thorpe hinted he regarded tigation, helping the funds' as almost inevitable. cash holdings to swell to £300 million before dealing When the recent Jardine Fleming fracas erupted, he resumed. But after yester day's redemptions only filoo million remains. A further f83 million was withdrawn yesterday, bring-to the responsibilities which

ing the level of redemptions | for unit-holders." to 13 per cent since dealing | Financial adv Financial advisers noted resumed when the market yesterday that, aside from a opened on Thursday. Independent financial advisers, who have been largely responsible for steering £1.4 billion from private in-vestors into the European Growth Fund, the Europa Trust and the European Capi-tal Growth Fund, yesterday called on Deutsche Bank to pledge that it will would undertake to buy out the three funds if investors con-

while followers are still continued to withdraw their The director of one firm said: "If redemptions con-tinue next week then Morgan unid stocks. Grenfell will be forced into

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revaluation of the portfolios in the wake of possible irregularities coming to light, a fall Mr Mitchell told financial in the unit price of the funds advisers on Thursday that he planned to change up to a quarter of the European had been exacerbated by worries that Morgan might be-come a "forced seller" of many constituent shares. Growth Trust's assets "in the short term". But he added that this had to be "balanced against redemptions" from the fund. The price of many of the stock market-quoted stocks bought by Mr Young have al-ready fallen in anticipation, A spokesman for Morgan said yesterday that it was

cerned that almost 8 per cent of the biggest fund affected the European Growth Trust - still rests in unquoted, illitrust business to Frankfurt in Also, of the quoted remainthe wake of the scandal selling the assets in the fund. der, a large portion of inves-That would not be good news tors' cash rests in thinly would move to buy back the three funds completely.

The 42-year-old New Zea-

land trained lawyer's career

has spanned the censorship of films and the registration

of births, deaths and mar

riages in Nauru, in the South Pacific, to sorting out affairs

in the Hong Kong stock mar-ket, following the crash of 1987.

He came to the UK shortly

after that to become im-mersed in helping the Secu-rities and Investments Board

sort out the regulatory tat

pensions fiasco.

ters left after the Maxwell

Since then, he has been an Labour outspoken critic of Britain's multi-layered regulatory sys-£1,000 bi

out with attack or 'erosion of trust' traded companies which the funds' new managers, Stuart Mitchell and Julian Johnston, would be able to dispose of only at a substantial discount. **Roger Cowe on** don't believe every innuendo you read in the papers." Lord Prior defended Mr

departure of 'shy genius' from GEC

ORD Weinstock bowed out of his 36th and last ennual meeting as a di-rector of GEC yesterday with an attack on corporate gover-nance reforms which he said "too early to say" whether the bank's German parent — which has hinted it might were destroying trust in British boardrooms. transfer control of its UK unit

After a meeting which began with a public apology from the chairman, Lord Prior. over GEC's handling of the controversial contract awarded to new managing di-rector George Simpson. Lord Weinstock said he was concerned at criticisms made by shareholders

"In the last few years we have seen examples of greed and the unrestrained exploisubsequently had to be amended under pressure tation of privileges in some from investing institutions. companies. But the Green-But his main role vesterbury and Cadbury codes are day, was to provide a suitable not tablets of stone handed down from Mount Sinai." send-off for Lord Weinstock. Lord Prior described him as

Lord Weinstock said he "a legendary figure in British industry. No other industrial-ist in the whole of the postagreed with most of the Greenbury principles, but war period has made a com-parable contribution to the survival and success of Brit-ish industry." warned that non-executive directors should not be expected to be "monitors" of their executive colleagues. He He said Lord Weinstock was "sby but humorous", with "a brilliant, original argued that boards need cohesion and support, not suspi-cion, from non-executives.

He told the GEC shareholdmind. His strength, loyalty and courage make him ers that corporate governance should not be an excuse for special to those of us privi-persecuting directors. "If you do trust them, sell your shares. If you do trust them, a standing ovation. special to those of us privi leged to work with him."

ing and fund management skills more developed. Any-one who visits a bank dealing room in Frankfurt is rapidly made aware that the majority of dealers are London imports anyway. If Deutsche demands more responsible manage-ment and controls, it should it propriate candidates to replace Sir Colin as chief in the other direction.

The idea that Deutsche meentive. Bank is somehow ethically more capable simply because But Vickers must accept that openness and transpar-ency are the order of the day. of its size is a misapprehension. It is certainly a safe parent, but it is just as prone Although investors are pre-pared to tolerate the situato mistakes as are other tion for the time being, the group would be foolish to trade on that tolerance for money-centre banks, whether they be Barclays in the UK property market in the later 1960s or Citibank in Latin too long.

report from the remuneration committee should be put to the annual meeting for ap-proval. Another asked whether the committee had America. A quick check through the Deutsche file reveals exactly why it would be no better been involved in Mr Simptrustee in Frankfurt than in London. The aftermath of the Jürgen Schneider affair is son's contract negotiations, and if so, why they had accepted it. Lord Prior said the commitstill reverberating through the bank, with the financier counter-suing the bank for blocking funds at a crucial moment, pushing his compa-nies into bankruptcy. The bank's Nuremberg tee had considered the contract at length, but he failed to explain why members had agreed to conditions which

branch was a victim of derivatives trading scams long be-fore anyone had heard of Nick Leeson. Its industrial invest-in that Britain's boomlet, seen in the latest production data and housing figures, receives another small nudge.

US IIft T IS now looking inevitable that the Federal Reserve will have to break with tradition and raise interest rates before November's election.

The strength of the US employment numbers suggests an economy expanding at an unsustainable rate but one which will propel Bill Clinton back to the White House.

As for John Major, the US boom should help to ensure

Shares in Olivetti remained

suspended yesterday as com-

pany executives and bourse

regulators met to agree a

Foreign investors may push for break-up of Olivetti

John Glover in Milan and Michaias Bannister

such a move.

THE chaos at the Olivetti computer group could pro-voke a head on clash between

statement originally due on Thursday evening. In the three-page statement, Italian and foreign investors, it emerged last night. which finally appeared yes-terday evening, the company said the report had been drawn up "in rigorous obser-vance of company law." Alle-gations that it would need to The company was plunged into uncertainty this week when Carlo De Benedetti, its charismatic chief, was forced to quit amid allegations from the former finance director that its losses were grossly understated

further boost reserves to cover write-downs were "totally unfounded," it said. On Thursay, Renzo Francesconi, Olivetti's for-mer director general and the Close observers of the com-pany believe that if Olivetti requires new cash to plug a hole in its balance sheet, forexecutive responsible for the accusations, met bourse reguright investors, who own some 70 per cent of the group, will push for it to be split up and lators to explain his charges Regulators also met with

Francesco Caio, Olivetti's chief executive since last July. The company says it plans to sue Mr Francesconi, will almost certainly oppose who resigned after only six weeks at the company.

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Merger nurses care sector |Safeway and BP in link-up

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arise when they delegate business to another entity, whether in the UK or as expected about the pitfal

he failed to speak as boldly as expected about the pitfalls

he perceived in City regula

tion when appearing in front of a parliamentary select

committee last year. Although he appears to be endorsing the idea that blue-

chip firms should enjoy

lighter-touch regulation, the

recent events involving Jar-dines and Morgan Grenfell might change that approach, which City sources feel is an

attempt by Mr Thorpe to fall

into line with the approach desired by SIB, the overall

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£1,000 billion of investments.

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HE consolidation of Automatical and the sector and the s firms in the sector, an-

nounced plans to merge. The company resulting from the merger - to be called TC Group - would become the biggest player in the sector, with a market value of around £250 million.

The merger, the biggest deal in a lively industry this year, would create a group with 126 care homes containing over 11,740 beds and with | Cavendish became the third | terms.

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more than 13,000 employees. Under the terms of the deal, the chairman of Takare, Keith Bradshaw, will become executive chairman of the merged group, while Court Cavendish chairman Chai Patel has been appointed chief executive. Announcing the merger. Mr Bradshaw said that by bringing together two comple-

mentary businesses with broad geographic spreads a corporation with greater fi-nancial strength would be created. Mr Bradshaw said that he

expected the merger to prompt a fresh wave of consolidation in the nursinghome sector, where Court

biggest player in March when it snapped up smaller rival Greenacre for £21.5 million. He added: "There is no ques tion that there will be further mergers and takeovers in the nursing-care market - it's been long overdue." Both Dr Patel and Mr Brad-shaw said that there were likely to be few cost saving

from the merger with few job costs, insisting instead that the real benefits would come in the form of faster and stronger growth Takare shares closed up 2p at 150%p on the news, while

shares of Court Cavendish closed up 19%p at 235%p against the 233p at which they were priced under the merger

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Lisa Buckingham HE supermarket price war which has spread its buckshot on to Britain's petrol forecourts intensified yesterday with an alliance be-iween Safeway and BP which atms to capture a large slice of the £15 billion convenience grocery market.

It is the first joint venture between an oil company and a supermarket group. Cut-throat competition between the two sectors has characterised the retail market in recent years and now about 20 per cent of all petrol sales are

controlled by supermarkets. Safeway and BP intend to invest about £100 million over | stores. The costs and profits

fuel shops using the largest sites in the BP stable which will be expanded to about 2.200 units once the merger with Mobil UK is completed. The new shops will aim to capitalise on the growing trend for people to undertake "top up" shopping. At present, forecourt stores account for around 13 per cent of the convenience market. Safeway said the new shops

— the first will open next month in Basildon, Essex will be larger than typical petrol stores and will have a

wars".

the next two or three years to of the venture will be shared create a network of food and equally. Rolf Stomberg, chief execu-tive of BP Oil — which has been negotiating the deal for

more than a year - said the idea was to combine Safeway's food retailing ex-pertise with BP's forecourt skills "to produce a concept more advanced than anything sold off. Italian shareholders, who regard Olivetti as a flag now available in the UK". carrier for Italian technology, Although the companies

initially plan 100 stores, a spokesman said this could be expanded. The stores will be linked to forecourts but will be designed not to allenate shoppers on foot.



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It may be child's play but in the US rivalry is ferocious. MARK TRAN reports, and IAN KING finds things are very unfunny in Britain

The toy soldiers

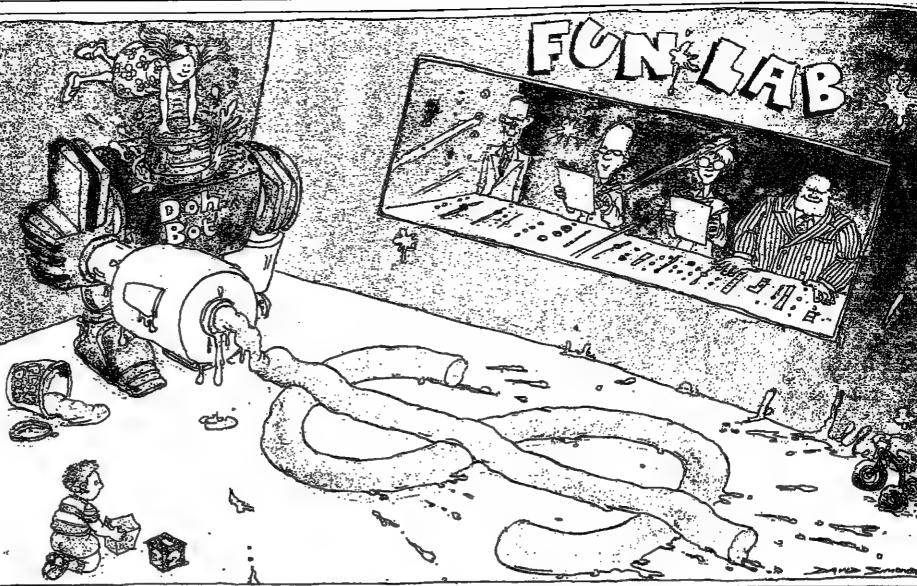
after the chairman's at the headdence, Rhode Island, of America's second-largest toy maker. This is where, through a two-way mirror. Hasbro's designers, engineers and marketing executives can observe children playing with a new toy. It was during a Fun Lab session that Hasbro spotted kinks in the Cookie Lovin Oven Play-Doh set: the tots had difficulty sliding in the oven tray and closing the

able compound"

Ms Bossert and her

THE Fun Lab may leagues believe they have the well be the most best job in the world. "Our important room job is to think up toys we would want to play with if we were children. Ms Bossert smiled But the playful atmosphere, reminiscent of the movie Big. is leavened with a punch of paranoia. I was ticked off like a naughty schoolboy for inspecting some toys still in development. "This is confidential material. I'm afraid you have to stay in the conference room. my escort informed me curtly, as if toys were Pentagon secrets. The competition in this in-

dustry is flerce. Battling at the top are California based Mattel, the maker of Hot Toy companies blend play-fuiness and deadly serious-ness. There is something dis-Wheels and Barble, the arming about walking into an office crammed with toys. Ellen Bossert's office overworld's most popular toy, and Hasbro, with such products as Action Man. Monopoly and flows with sets of Play-Doh — the sticky, souishy stuff that is a fixture of western child-Scrabble. Like Coke and Pepsi, Mattel, with 1995 sales of \$3.6 billion (£3.3 billion) hood. As the Play-Doh team and Hasbro (\$2.8 billion) are leader. Ms Bossert's job is to locked in perpetual struggle. devise ever more ways of per-Like the rest of corporate suading children aged be-America, the toy industry has tween three and six to amuse seen its share of consolidation in recent years. In Februthemselves with this "reus-Mattel launched a col \$5.2 billion bid for Hasbro, a



The industry used to consist combination that would have controlled 28 per cent of America's toy business. The surprise bid quickly fizzled out when Hasbro directors argued that it would never win approval from federal anti-trust regulators and was dropped after institutional support failed to materialise. Mattel's grab for Hasbro was the logical culmination of the takeover wave in the toy business during the 1990s.

of small and medium-sized family companies. Now, they are huge global entities, as-sembled like Meccano sets through mergers and acquisitions, with manufacturing plants spread throughout the world. Hasbro's empire includes Milton Bradley (Twister), Parker Brothers (Monopoly), Tonka (cars and lorries), the games division of John Waddington, the UK

tel acquired Fisher-Price in late 1993 for \$1.2 billion and won a fight with Hasbro for the British firm JW Spear & The emphasis on size reflects the importance of marketing in today's toy business. Tie-ins with TV shows and films, licensing deals and clout with retail chains like Toys 'R' Us are essential weapons in the battle for shelf

space. To succeed these days, a toy company has to lavish millions of dollars on marketing. In 1994 Hasbro spent only

company, and Play-Doh. Mat- (Doh. Then there is the Decorate 'n Celebrate Cake set. which includes "the ultimate wedding cake" and the Rose Garden set, where tots can create scented roses

In mining name recogni-tion for all its worth, Hasbro and Mattel are emulating the rest of corporate America. For companies like AT&T and Disney, their very names are powerful marketing tools. By concentrating on existing brand names, toy companies have opted for safety. It is much less risky than going out on a limb with a new toy,

leco Industries, which launched Cabbage Patch dolls. brand-building comes at the expense of innovation and toy companies have missed out on blockbuster successes. American toy makers flirted with video games, but aban-doned their efforts only to see

Sega and Nintendo take that business from nothing to annual sales of \$6 billion. US wholesale toy sales last year were \$13.43 billion, but

proach may fare better this the only big new hit was Gatime, as it combines willknown brands with the new loob Toys' Skydancer flying medium. The company sold لأمل At times the toy industry

cally interactive games could be a fertile field for the likes of Hasbro and Mattel, if they can find attractive ways of repackaging their famous

described by the company as wildly successful, drawing about 100,000 visitors to the

site each week. Hasbro's lat-est interactive venture comes

after having to write off more

than \$50 million in failed in

teractive projects. Last year, it pulled the plug on a plan to develop a virtual reality

game, swallowing a pre-tax

charge of \$31.1 million. Hasbro's interactive ap



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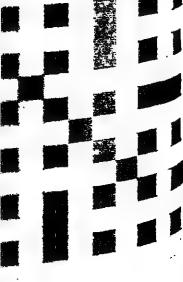


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PETR JOSE

Joe Stalin wouldn't like it: Jacko usurps the Man of Steel's plinth

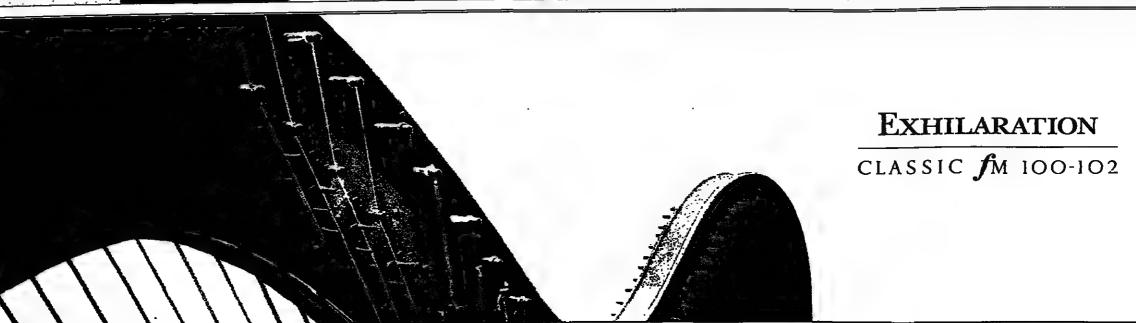
lion. The latest suif is a result of Jackson having violated the terms of the settlement by denying the

boy's charges in a TV interview. The singer is currently counter-

A slump in Jackson's popularity is suggested by the sales figures of his current album. HiStory has sold 11 million copies, which would be remarkable by any artist's standards. But for Jackson it is a disappointment. His previ-ous two, Bad and Dangerous, sold 22 million each, and Thriller, the best-selling LP of all time, 45 mil-

In the face of such declining support Jackson is going to increasingly desperate, megalomaniac lengths to buoy up his spirits. On a hilltop above the city, on the plinth once occupied by a similarly-sized likeness of Stalin, is a 30-foot high statue of Jackson, like some Politburo chief gazing over the Old Town. His stage act is equally chilling in its scale and precision. The act requires 300 personnel and 640,000lbs of equipment, and that's in a scaled-down era. To make the tour viable, he has to charge £20 a ticket for the Prague show — a tenth of the aver-age monthly Czech wage. Many Czechs have been frustrated unable to afford to go tonight, leav-ing half the seats filled by foreign-

ers, mainly from Germany and Italy. Back in Jackson's hotel suite, my reverie on his fortunes is bro-ken by the bodyguard. Wayne, whose liquid New Orleans accent hardens when its owner is irri-tated. "What are you doing here?" Who, me? Er, just wanted to meet the King of Pop, of course. I had sidled into the lift in recep-tion behind Wayne and ***page 14**



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POGER TOOTH

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The British view sea. We hoped against hope that Jodi and Tom The spotlight was on Loughlin had wandered Minehead this week off as children will, had then got lost and would yet after a suggestion to ban be found alive and well. shirtless holidaymakers This terrible saga has made headlines. proved once again that the Minehead's resident associsea can be lethal, even on a ation secretary Malcolm sunny afternoon. Higgins has been inter-

viewed by newspaper, radio Eastern Daily Press and television stations A picture in the Belfast Telegraph across Britain and as far away as Canada and shed new light on the Australia, Mr Higgins said, phrase balaclava chic. The "It is not about the beach. It is about asking people in our shops, our restaurants six balaclaved UFF loyalists giving a show of strength in north Belfast and our beautiful high on Monday night were street to cover up." mistakenly, and rather West Somerset Free Press sexistly described as "gun-men" as there was, in fact.

All of East Anglia is a gunwoman in their midst. in mourning today for the little ones taken by the The Irish News

Them on them

The global view

Washington has demonstrated convic-tion in its immunity from punishment and its belief in the possibility of carrying out military action in any part of the world against any state with a policy the White House considers incorrect. Who will be the next scoundrel in line? John Major, perhaps, for oppressing the Catholics in Ulster, Jose Asnar for arresting free dom-loving Basques, or Boris Yeltsin, for his twoyear war with the Chechens?

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Founded 385 years ago as one

moved to Surrey in 1872 and

Canterbury and former Tory

cabinet minister Lord Wake-

ham among its governors.

In last year's prospectus, headmaster Peter Hobson

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New boys will be wel-

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Charterhouse term on Tues-

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sending a huge force into the Kurdish "safe haven" in Northern Iraq. America's credibility has been at stake. The missile attacks were necessary and welcome, but it's past time to formulate a clear policy on Iraq. New York Post

America's double standards make it easy for US politicians to ignore the fact that their insistence on maintaining sanctions against Iraq for over five years had a huge human cost. Over 600,000 Iraqis, mostly children and invalids, lost their lives because of malnutrition, lack of

medicine and proper medical attention. The Star, Amman



industry for its landable efforts of late to make the rat-arsed experience more accessible to children. For a year now, the market has been flooded with drinkerfriendly "alcopops" — liquor disguised as fruit drinks and packaged in generationally non-threatening cans. But the names and images of alcopops are still a little try-hard: "Two Dogs", "Hooch", "Jammin'", "Rhubarb Rhubarb" ... trendy, yes, but the suspicion remains that are they are not so much authentically young as over-the-hill marketing people's attempts to resonate with the youth This week, Carlsberg-Tetley moved a step nearer

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the implicit promise of a storking hangover, may to getting it right with the launch of Thickhead, a jelliis to be welcomed all the same. If Bill Clinton had fied tangerine-flavoured

had it in time , he could have dropped crates of it all over should be stripping rust from the sills of a teenager's Iraq this week instead of Cruise missiles. The Iraqis Escort, but is, amazingly, designed for human consumption.

would have been misled by the label. too, and Thickhead is as alcoholic as the strongest "headbang-ing" lagers, but from the drunk Saddam's bealth with the stuff. The beverage's name is rivid colour and the cheery certain to inspire other new products. Surely it won't be label, you'd imagine it was a giveaway Sellotaped to the front of the Beano. So mis-leading is the packaging, long before an enterprising tobacco company launches a children's cigarette — sugwith its picture of a tasty gested names: "They're Smokin' ", "Life's A Drag", young geezer of about 17 pulling a silly face, that the "Butthead", or "Genimi" (it's followed by Cancer). The re-launched Punch Portman Group, the industry's voluntary regulator, has asked for a redesign. The name Thickhead, magazine could have been a although it does have an appealingly lumpen yob-bishness about it along with touch more alluring to younger readers had It been given a Thickhead-type name, something more contemporarily violent. "Knee be a mistake, but Thickhead in the Groin" sounds worthy of consideration. Jonathae Margolis **ENIPAYNO** AO IN

1. "Does the bird in a cap sing as sweetly as the bid who is free?" Whose profound question? a) Sharon Stone (b) Eric Cantona (c) Regis Debray

2. Rumer, Scout, Tallulah Belle, but will she make it four? Whe?

3. Silver-blue Ford Escort 20 years old, one previous owner. A snip at £65,000, Who sold it?

4. "Bed hair day?!" appeared on a new Conservative party poster demonising Cherie Blair, True or false?

5. Who was o rated on a new first-clas stamp? (a) Shakes (b) Lawrence of Arabia

c) Eric Cantona (d) A Japaneseova puppet

6. Neison loves who? (a) Enume Hamilton (b) Sharon Stone (c) Graca Mache

7. New Tory we danger for Labour. But who is it?

8, One sportsman was counted out; another was In the pits. Who were they?

9, For whom is blue no longer the colour?

10. Jemima's Tangy Ketchup, Jemima's Chili and Gartic Sauce, Jemima's Mix Pickle, But sho is Jemima'

11. Who has replaced Paul Gambaccini on Radio 37 (b) Stave Wright (b) Poter Hobday (c) Jemima Tangy Jemima Tangy-Ket (d) Peter Maxwell Davies

12. Who's cutting down on office duties to spend more time with the children? (a) Jemima Miz-Pickie (b) Camilla Parker Bowie (c) Tiggy Legge-Bourke (d) Tiggy Legge-Before-Wicket



Call me Sir: Hobson

headmaster is asked to resign quietly before his face is spread across the front

page. Hobson met 18-year-old Mia to Sally Henderson — Mia to her clients — while she was working for an agency in Guildford, Surrey. He phoned her and called at her flat once where they spent more than an hour together



his reputation on his traditionalist attitudes to educa-

tion, morality and discipline. A year on, he is still in hiding and his family refuse to reveal his whereabouts. They attributed his lapse not to olain old lust, but illness. "It is a very sad business for our family," said his brother Andrew head of classics at Westminster School. "My

"He paid me £120 in cash brother is not well."

-Y. Y. STE Patrick Hayes, aged 32, is an equities trader in the City -

the type Tony Blair tried to woo with his 'prawn cocktail" offensive Everyone in the City is expecting the election to be a tough battle between both sides. People in my business do not take anything as read. From a personal point of view the pre-election swings and

spread-betting with finan-cial bookmakers, which are like a City boy's Ladbrokes. The bookmakers offer a variety of prices, not just on who election.

hype will make for a prof-itable forum. During the pre-election

fluid that looks as if it opportunity to speculate. Millions will be traded over the phone through

will win the election, but anything from the number of seets to how many days it will be antil the next I lost an awful lot of money in 1992 because I bet heavily on a dip in the market on the back of Labour victory - obviously neither happened

At the moment the quote is 9 to 4 for a Conservative victory and 2 to 7 for a Labour victory. That means if I put £700 on Labour and they win I

get £200. My money will be on a Labour victory, but to spice it up a bit I'll buy seats at £100 each and go for Labour getting 340 seats. That means if they win 360 seats the difference is 20 seats, so I stand to make £2,000. But If Labour only get 300 seats,

To use the name Sambo to me would indicate a highly intelligent, brave little boy. Pamela Shirley, publisher of Little Black Sambo. loved Little Black Sambo as a child, Black Mambo was a wonderfully warm and maternal figure. The whole

ten version of Black Sambo

in the spring.

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The children's book

I do wonder if the people who

have actually read the story.

are so strongly against it

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to make it PC.

Do you agree?

thing is lunatic when one has to stumble for words over childrens toys and books. Gillian Bavistock, Enid Bly- Whose hat is this and why is its wearer co seeriul7

ter, Rev John Witheridge. For and got straight down to a year ago this week, shortly business." she told the Mirafter penning his tribute to ror. "We got to know each the school, Hobson resigned in a scandal that shook England's elite public schools. He quit officially for

"health and personal rea-sons" a few days before pupils returned to the £12.000-a-year school — motto Deo Dante Dedi (I Give to God who Gives). The details of his shame were as traditional in their way as the values of the school itself married headmaster has from Charterhouse relationship with teenage escort girl, girl recognis him and informs Daily Mirror in return for fat cheque,

other very well during our short friendship," the paper added, employing a favourite tabloid euphemism. If Hobson was lonely, he was also unlucky. Henderson recognised him the moment when she greeted him at the front door dressed in a low cut top and a tight black miniskirt. Less than two years earlier, he had given a speech at her private school Tormead Girls, a few miles After resigning, Hobson went into hiding with his wife Amanda, his career in ruins. Ironically, he had built

Things did not go smoothly for Henderson either. After picking up her undisclosed sum from the Mirror, she want on holiday to Cornwall with her boyfriend — who used to wait in the garden while she entertained clients — to escape attention. She returned to Guildford to find her flat locked up and a note pinned to the door from her landlord: escort work apparently breached the terms of her lease. She too has disappeared, quitting the Sophistocats escort agency in Guildford and cutting all ties with her family Spart Nillar

weeks the markets will be very volatile, that can only be good news as far as profits and commission re concerned. City dealers live for these days and don't worry much about the eventual outcome. We're strictly interested in short term gains. Blair is a real character and everyone is waiting to see if he's got it in him to pull off a win and back up his promises. If he wins, all I'm worried about is how the share index closes after week one. New Labour is definitely more City friendly. Whatever happens it will be an excuse for a vast

I'll lose £4.000. The beauty of spreadbetting is the more you are right, the more money you make. Whichever party ends up in power, they will make a killing in terms of taxes from these kinds of transactions. In the longer term, no doubt some of my clients will be looking to become non-residents and toying with the idea of off-shore accounts. But I think the prospect of a Labour government is not quite as shocking as it was in the late eighties and early ninetles.' amount of alcohol and the Interview by Hannah Pool

then I'm 40 seats down. ton's daughter. Yas It's difficult to see how it could be rewritten to be made ess objectionable. I can't see how you could have it in any school without it carrying a overnment health warning. Ms Pat Hollister, Fleet Primary School, Camden The story is wonderful but her drawings are stereotypi cal and insulting and so are the names Frances Lincoln, who is hoping to publish the rewrit-

14. The referee's a w^{esse} A what?

16. Who will play Lionel, a rugby-playing Romeo, in Le Bonheur est dans le Pré?

(a) Eric Cantona (b) Regis Debray (c) Gerand Depan (d) Christoph Lamber

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Look who's in Stalin's shoes

(page 13 the Czech girls, who'd been selected at random to meet Wacko from a crowd of 300 outside the hotel

On the eighth floor, we'd all gone through a metal detector, even the room service waiter arriving with a tray of bread rolls, fish cakes, broccoli and carrots. We'd trotted down the corridor to suite 800. with me amazed at how easy it all was. Wavne called out, "It's was. Wayne called out, "It's Wayne," the door opened and in we trooped to a tidy living room, where the superstar watched us with wary cat eyes.

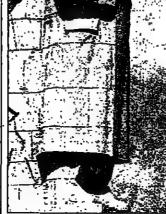
Downstairs in reception, Willy, a heavyset gir) in a gold baseball cap, is weeping with rage. She has been waiting since 9am to present Jackson with a handmade gold sceptre in a glass case bearing the phrase "To The Legendary King of Pop". This "king" business, incidentally, is starting to grate. It's everywhere - on a two-storev high banner on the hotel, on the

too loudly?

laminated tour passes. Doesn't the Parizska with feathers, which the king proclaim his kinghood a bit

"Wayne knows I am here all day but he brings up these little girls and not me." Willy is telling a clus-ter of fans, the ones rich enough to have booked the \$305-a-night rooms. They are German and Dutch, mostly, but there are also two lipsticked Italian glamour pusses. Pamela and Lucia, who claim to have met Jackson many times and haughtily ignore the other fans.

Everyone else - the Czechs that is - is stuck outside, screaming for "My-kool" to come to the window. He frequently does. throwing flowers and, once, a pillow, which bursts and litters Blvd miles.



HIStory lessons: Stalin has passed on: President Havel meets the King

> fans rush to collect. Half an hour later I return to

Jackson's floor, this time on the official business of visiting Jonathan Morrish, Sony Records head of corporate relations. As I arrive a waiter is leaving Jacko's suite with the untouched fish cakes, and something new has been added to the decor - a lifesize cardboard cut-out of the man propped against his door. Perhaps it's so he can see something he loves when he leaves the room.

"I've never seen anything like this." says Morrish. "You should have seen when he came in from the airport - they were lined along the road for about three

At the concert site at Letna Plain park, the stage is by now half built. Both history and Jackson's multi-ethnic credo are symbolised by Roman, Egyptian and Mayan statues. "This production is history, the history of the world," says Benny Collins, production director

The residents in the Communist-built brutalist concrete apartment block overlooking the park are in for some show Pulp's Jarvis Cocker, who invaded Jackson's Brit Awards performance because he was "sickened by his messianic delusions" would not be impressed. Ah, but if only he could see the statue . . .

Propagart, the Czech promoters, have done a fine job of plastering Jackson's image around town. The rococo city centre is sullied by HIStory posters, in a striking contrast between Wacko and Prague's

delicately gilded architecture. The entire staff of the new Bonton record shop is kitted out in Jackson shirts. (He was supposed to open the shop. "but I guess he was in a bad mood," shrugs a clerk.) The newsagents in Wenceslas Square, Prague's Piccadilly, are stuffed with Jackson souvenir magazines. Awareness of his presence is total.

HILE it's no longer unusual for western artists to play this most westernised Eastern capital — Paul Weller and Tina Turner have only just been — no one has done it on this scale, so hypefully. And Prague is going out of its way to welcome him

Since the Velvet Revolution of 1989 the city has embraced capitalism with an avidity unmatched in

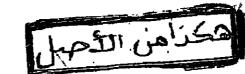
any other former Eastern Bloc nation. The old Prague survives in surly shop assistants but the old buildings now house Estée Lauder and The Gap and nearly everyone speaks English. No wonder Jackson decided to start here — the place could easily perpetuate a fantasy that the cult of Wacko has toppled Communism and is the new ideology, as symbolised by that statue, which can be clearly seen from his penthouse suite.

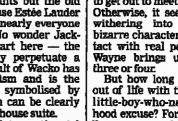
Back at the Intercontinental fter "sightseeing", Jackson seals himself in his room and isn't seen till the next evening. One can only wonder how he whiles away the hours he's forced to spend in hotels in every town he visits. He has his business interests to

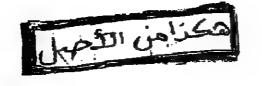
occupy him, the latest one being a partnership with a Saudi prince to establish a global entertainment company dedicated to "upholding family values". Then, when in South Africa recently, he managed to get out to meet Nelson Mandela. Otherwise, it seems, he stays in. withering into an ever more bizarre character whose only contact with real people is the fans Wayne brings up in parties of

But how long can Jackson opt out of life with the I'm-just-a-shylittle-boy-who-never-had-a-childhood excuse? For ever, if he likes. But at approaching 40 you can't help wondering if he ever longs for a real life?

In the end, Willy and her sceptre finally meet him. So how was it, we demand when she emerges, "He demand when she emerges. thanked me," she swoons. Isn't that a pretty poor return for a 34-hour wait? Willy sternly replies: "He is not like anyone else - he is the most special person in the world." Indeed, the King of Pop.







THE WEEK 15

It feels better than it ever did, much more sensitive'

John Wayne Bobbitt is now recognised by more Americans than is the President. So is he glad his wife cut off his penis?



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OHN Wayne Bobbitt meets us in the bar of the Great Eastern Hotel, Liverpool Street, London, and to the mild surprise of the other drinkers, promptly starts doing

press-ups on the har floor. "I've put on weight," he gasps, as his PR draws us to one side and hisses: "You know he's just had a dick extension?" I didn't, though three years ago Bobbitt's dick was a source of worldwide fascination

when it was chopped clean off by Bobbitt's wife, hurled out of her car window, retrieved by two policemen and, during a nine-hour operation, sewn straight back on again. "It feels better now than it ever did before, much more sensitive,"

pants Bobbitt, leading us up to his room. What did you say your name was, Paul right?" "Er, Joanna," I say brightly. He nods. Somewhere in the distance,

alarm bells begin to ring. He hammers violently with both fists against the door which is opened by his old schoolfriend from Niagara, Robert Johnstone. It was Johnstone who drove Bobbitt to hospital the night Lorena reached for the 12-

inch carving knife. "I saw blood, I thought he had cut his finger, so I figured he needed stitches." says Rob slowly. Rob says everything slowly. "So I got up and brushed my

teeth. John was very calm and then he said, "They had better be able to make me a new penis.' I was kinda like what? He didn't say what had

sold 100,000 copies in America and according to his agent, it's the bestselling adult movie of all time. He grabs hold of his belly and fingers the crumpled flesh. "Tve got the love handles from hell," he grumbles. "I've gained some weight the past few months. I weigh 1970bs now, and I should be 175-180lbs. I'm way overweight. I'm still strong though." He flexes his arms and I can't help thinking he looks rather sinister. In a recent survey 86 per cent of the American public said they could recognise President Clinton;

and Bobbitt has a new and reason-ably lucrative career as a porn star. His first film, Bobbitt Uncut, has

96 per cent could recognize John Wayne Bobbitt. Given the money and fame, is he glad it happened? "Yeah. I'm able to do a lot of "Yeah. I'm anie to uo a not or things with my penis now." Such as? "Stand-up comedy, entertain-ment. It gives me more to talk about than just current events." "Exactly." murmurs Rob. "More to talk about. Exactly."

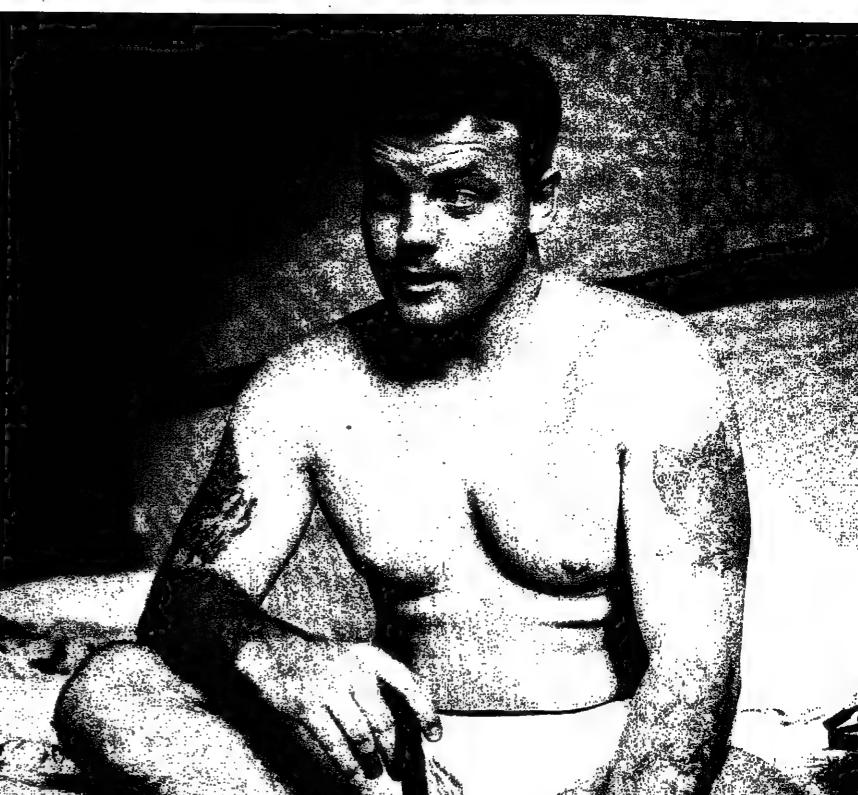
"I want to write a book about it." says Bobbitt, ignoring him. "And Lorena's not going to like that because it has to do with the truth.

She doesn't want people to know the truth, well the Bible says the truth shall set you free." What is the truth then? "That I'm alive, I coulda died. A lot of people harbour ill feelings," he says earnestly. "Lorena acted the way she did out of jealousy and hatred and revenge. You have to control ill feelings. Some people can't Like Saddam. Our government doesn't understand Saddam Hussein has ill feeling " feelings." "Exactly, nods Rob. "Exactly."

"I wish I was back in the Marines," says Bobbitt, miserably.

Some people say Bobbitt has been taken advantage of. That the money he earned from his early TV appearances and now his films has gone to lawyers and porno agents rather than to John himself. Is this

true? "Yeah. Lotta people made money from me, yeah, I was naive. I'm doing a lot of things on my own now, acting, getting in shape. I'm overweight right now." "And you're taking real estate



happened, but I kinda sped up." "Do you want me to take my shirt off?" interrupts Bobbitt, emerging from the bathroom where, to my surprise, he has just removed his trousers. He then removes his shirt and hits his chest which wobbles. "Hey," he cries, "it looks like I'm pregnant." Why did Lorena cut off his penis? Bobbitt looks puzzled. "Why did she cut it od? Yeah, um, why did she cut it od? Mmmn, er lying back on the bed and taiking to the photogra-pher] is this where you want me? Do you want me in other poses like this? [He pouts, then unwraps a cigar from the bedside table, and rolls it under his nose.)

So you wanna know why she did it huh? I broke her heart. Broke her heart. Hurt her feelings, hurt her feelings. She, er, that's the way I can explain it." Did he beat her? "Untrue. She was very possessive and she didn't want to get divorced

Rob, who has been sitting quietly, suddenly interjects. "You look fat, John!" Bobbitt looks pleased. "That's good though, ain't it?" "Good?" queries Rob. "Because fat turns to muscle!" exclaims Bob bitt. He points at Rob. "Now you're skinn

Rob points back: "You used to be real skinny, John."

Heigh ho, I intervene breezily. Why did you have a penis exten-sion? Bobbitt repeats the question as if he hasn't understood. "Why did I have a penis extension? To get bigger, to feel better about myself." And does he? "Yes, it's bigger,

It's better, it's stronger!" Did he realise what Lorena was doing as she cut it off? "No, it was just one fell swoop," and he mimes a scything movement. "She just pulled it up and cut it off. I said: 'Give that back.' But she ran and I was looking for it but I couldn't find it, so I woke Rob." Still that's all behind him now,

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classes," volunteers Rob, supporti-vely. Bobbitt picks at the counternane. "I don't like this hotel much. Why am I here?"

What, I wonder, do his parents think about what's happened? "My parents? I don't know," says Bobbitt. "My parents? What do they think Rob?"

"What do your parents think." choes Rob, bewildered. "Yeah, what do you think about what my parents think, Rob?" Rob remains silent.

"I don't think they don't mind

what I do," says Bobbitt finally, "as long as it's not destructive." "They don't like you making porno movies," warns Rob. "That's not destructive," protests Bobbitt. Then suddenly be looks as if he's not sure and turns to me frowning. "Are porno films de-structive?" And he thinks about

Rob's comment some more. "So, they don't like me making movies huh?" There is a sudden hush. So what would have happened if the police hadn't found the rest of

his penis? "I woulda been sewn up. Mmn, and [laughing] I would have become a transvestite! It's four fingers wide now. Four fingers, it used to be three, now it's four fin-gers." And he holds up four chubby fingers.

And girlfriends, does he have "I've slept with about 40 many? women in three years, so on aver-age that's about five women a year. No, wait, about 15 women a year."

"Is that a lot?" He shakes his head as if conversing with himself. "That's not a lot, 30 women would be a lot, but 10 women a year, one or two a month, that's OK." And he looks quite chuffed.

Barbell? "That's 12 a year," corrects Rob slowly. "One a month." "One a month." agrees Bobbitt. "It used to be my nickname at school Johnny Barbell." Before we can explore this fur-

ther, the PR bangs on the door and reminds us to mention Franken-Penis, Bobbitt's second film, which includes footage from the operation to extend his penis. Rob blanches. What would he have done in Bob-

Barbell.

"I remember the doctor when I

got to the hospital, he flipped out. He thought I'd cut my wrists 'cos of the blood. He was in shock. I

shocked the doc! That's great, right? You gotta write that down, *l* shocked the doc! He didn't know

what to do." He starts laughing again. "They said it would take six

hours for my penis to decompose and they found it in two hours. It

was three fingers wide, it's now four fingers wide. I've gained a lot of weight since then too. Mmn, a

lotta weight. I call my penis



John Wayne Bobbitt . . . Is this where you want me? Do you want me in other poses like this? I've got the love handles from hell'

bitt's position? "I wouldn't have | 'Why did I done this," says Rob, staring at Bobbitt's black cowboy boots neat by his bed, "I would have committed suicide. "Hey, are these photos going to make me fatter than I am already?" extension? worries Bobbitt. 'I'm an engineer in North Carolina," remarks Rob. "He makes prosthetic penises," roars Bobbitt. "He makes a nob for your nob!" He slaps his stomach, drops the cigar and nearly falls off the bed whooping. I read one piece about him which successed he was stupid. What does he think about that is he? "I am," he nods gravely. "I am.

Tell me honestly, how do you find me?" But he doesn't really want an answer. In fact, he wants for noth-ing except to lose weight. I wonder what he does at home in Las Vegas all day? "I ride jet skis, like a moped on

the water. (He pats his stomach.) And I drive a pick-up truck, four by four, big tyres, all chrome, it's really nice. This is amazing." he says, grabbing his belly in his fists. This is the heaviest I've been. I've gained a lot of weight. You know was shy and introverted until l joined the Marines." Is that true, I ask Rob? "I would say that he joined the darines and changed." nods Rob. "I was a very shy person, Bobbitt continues. "Lorena was the first girl I'd gotten involved with. I gotta get a dog, a German Shepherd. I don't think about being famous, I just try to be a normal person but I was promiscuous, promiscuous, ha ha, yeah. All my friends are pro-miscuous, except him." And he

have taken over the governing body, they can really start to de-

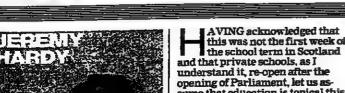
points to Rob. "The friends I grew up with," drawls Rob, "they're all drug addicts and losers." "Losers," whispers Bobbitt roll-

mouth. "You're not a loser, Rob." Do you take drugs, I ask Bobbitt? "Tm taking steroids right now, just to pump up these." be says, flexing his arms. "Tm real strong and Tm still fast. I just ran three miles in 16 minutes 45 seconds. Three miles in 10 minutes 45 seconds. 16 minutes and 45. That's a five minute mile, well five-fifteen. Pretty fast' Fifteen thirty. Five minutes and 30 seconds a mile. Wait, is that right? Fifteen, 16, 17, less than five minutes, five 45 right?" I'm feeling rather dazed, so I ask Rob if Bobbitt has changed at all? "At times he was getting

arrogant," starts Rob. "Yeab," interrupts Bobbitt. "I

was a superstar man! Arrogant, veah.

"But now he's not as bad," concedes Rob, smiling. "Actually, he's kinda back to where he was before. He's OK, you know, really."



opening of Parliament, let us assume that education is topical this week. That appears to have been the assumption of Gillian Shephard, who proposed that fiveyear-olds should be tested. Doubtless the business commu

nity needs to know the aptitude of infants in its area so that it can make long-term recruitment projections. But the ostensible reason for the exams — "You may turn over your fuzzy felt farm sets now and begin" — is to enable the calculation of value-added. You need to know what your child is worth

to begin with so that you can see how your investment is doing. Parents, it seems, must be vigi-lant at all times to make sure that teachers are giving value for money. We are not discussing teachers in private schools here. It is assumed that they are all excellent and dedicated, otherwise they

would not have deserted the state sector to put their publicly-funded training into practice for the bene fit of the few. Teachers in state schools are as

sumed to be mad, had or illiterate, unless they work in the nursery, where they absorb the blows of madmen with machetes; in that case they are called "nurses", be cause they are paid virtually noth-ing. Nursery nurses excepted, teachers are considered a bad lot.

And responsible parents, who, after all, only want the best for their children — bollocks to anyone else's children — must ensure that all the good work they do at home, preparing their tots to sit exams and enter one of the professions, is not undermined by incompetents and political extremists in the classroom

You see, these days, what with all this political correctness, although your children start primary school ready to take their A levels - in fact, an A level gene has been discovered - what happens is that they get held back by

other people's children, who tend to be stupid and badly-behaved. Then the teacher compounds the situation by not recognising that your children are best and they forget everything you taught then Many five-year-olds are given hardly any homework at all, mean ing that parents are at times

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forced to play with them. The Government's education reforms have only begun to stop this madness. If you visit a random sampling of classrooms in the country, you will find that teach-ers still vary enormously. They look different from each other. they have widely differing person alities, they approach different children's needs in different ways, they employ their own skills and experience rather than a nationally-endorsed standard.

But that is beginning to change. Teachers are being forced to spend more time assessing children, recording everything that happens in the classroom, and answering to Ofsted. Gone are the days when they could sit around all day

teaching. And, thankfully, more and more primary schools are forc ing children to wear uniforms. This not only instils a sense of paramilitary discipline, it also gives the school a corporate identity, making it attractive to more

learn - and the downside of spending your youth being tested is that there's never any time

business-like parents. These parents can't necessarily afford private education but, if they take over a promising state school, they dren can have a chart on the fridge measuring their academic stretchcan turn it around. Indeed, some of the better state primary schools ing. The tests need not be obtru-

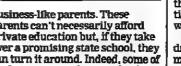
now have catchment areas which sive or traumatic: there's time manage to avoid rented property altogether. And they still fulfil the enough for that later on. But by the age of 11, a clear picture of future aspirations of liberal parents who prospects will have emerged. This all sounds as though things like fun and happiness have been like there to be a "nice mix" which means a tiny number of

non-white children, "some of them absolutely beautiful". Once the business-like parents forgotten. On the contrary, the happiness of parents is insepara-ble from their children's qualifications and many PTA evenings are tremendous fun. What the kids do velop a partnership with the staff, even allowing the staff some say in after finishing their education is up to them. Once childhood is done the day-to-day running of the school. Healthy dialogue ensures that bright children — that is with and out of the way, they can enjoy what leisure time they have in any number of productive ways. They can even take a course! It's never too late to learn and the downside of spending your youth being tested is that there's never any time to learn anything.

As for careers, academic success will have secured earning power if not any sense of fulfilment or joy. The important thing is that graduates can choose in the job market. If they really want to, they can throw careerism to the wind and do something thankless, like being a primary school teacher.

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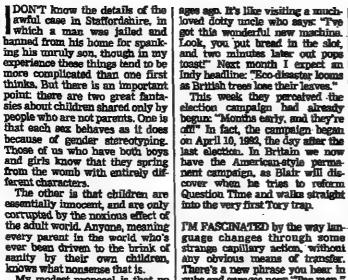
bored by being set work already covered by their private tutors. The danger for advantaged chil-

behave in a way which appears on the surface to resemble the naughtiness more usually associated with ordinary children.

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SIMON HOGGART'S NEE S

Judges? Social workers? Not in front of the children



were near important decisions where near important decisions where near the second decisions works what nonsense that is. My modest proposal is that no one who is childless, including council officials, judges and social worksrs, should be allowed any-where near important decisions where near important decisions about children and child-rearing. JOURNALISTS usually read all

its papers, and I particularly en-joy the Independent. It has become pleasingly eccentric lately, discov-ering things everyone else knew

Hawks and doves



Angle Zeiter was one of four women who damaged a Hawk jet with hammers. She argues the act was justified to prevent mass murder in East Timor. Robert Key, a Tory member of the defence committee, disagrees

Dear Robert,

A THIRD of the population of East Timor has been killed by Indone-sia in its 20-year illegal occupation. Those still living have been corralled into concentration camps, where many die of starvation. Entire tribes have been ex-terminated and their land settled by indonesians from hundreds of niles away. Western support for President

Britain is currently Indonesia's main weapons supplier. The pres-ent Hawk deal has been likened to

What is going on in East Timor and also in West Papua is a tra

as British trees lose their leaves." This week they perceived the election campaign had already begun "Months early, and they're off" in fact, the campaign began on April 10, 1992, the day after the last election. In Britain we now have the American-style perma-nent campaign, as Blair will dis-cover when he tries to reform Question Time and walks straight

I'M FASCINATED by the way language changes through some strange capillary action, without any obvious means of transfer. There's a new phrase you hear in pubs and garages now. "Top man." It means thanks, as in "Here's And the word "well" is increas-ingly used as an all-purpose inten-sifier. "Well-hung", and "in whom I am well pleased" are familiar, but it's also tacked in front of ad-

jectives now. I've recently heard "well happy", "well rich", and even a "he's done a well good job". The other day a mum at our

school gate told her child to hurry un: "They've well gone in." Are these phrases injected into the language by TV programmes I don't see? Does someone invent them? Or are they just demotic London speech which spreads out to the provinces, like the awful ondon accent?

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NEW PHRASES whose prove-nance we know include fresh eu-phemisms for warfare. According to the experts, the Americans were not bombing leag, but "sending Saddam Husseln a message". As in, "Once more unto the breach, dear friends, once more / And send a message with our English dead", or "we shall send a message on the beaches, on the landing grounds ... we shall never RSVP". At the Pe tagon, missiles aren't

aimed at targets, but "find the AN AUTUMN of embarrassment single address". It's all unreal, at a looms for the Tories, what with distance, like: e-mail or the Michael Portillo at the party con-Internet, which also sends ran-dom messages in random places in cyberspace. It's just tough on the people who've got the wrong address

THE PRINCE'S Trust has just finished a massive fund-raising campaign in which a thousand celebrities have been asked to paint their own masks. These will be suctioned for a large sum. The mask is a wonderfully comforting, concealing device, and it's fasci-nating in see what people want to hide behind. Prince Charles has

hide behind. Prince Charles has painted leaves to cover his face, as if he is deep in a forest, or at least wants something in talk to. Tony Blair has drawn predict-able red roses, whereas John Major has painted an Elysian landscape, perhaps the mythical England he wants to recreate. Denis Healey has imitated Munch's The Scream, which tells us a lot, yet Dave Stewart, the pop

nusician who said he was too happy, has done much the same. Jennifer Ehle has painted hers plain blue with a signature, which is dull, but since I adore her, it's the one I would buy if I could smord it.

Michael Portillo at the party con-ference and John Major possibly giving evidence in the Guardian's libel action against Neil Hamil-ton in the cash-for-questions case. (I ran into George Carman QC at the Punch launch this week. He was musing on a line of questioning in case the Esther Rantzen, business ever gets to court he would contrast her incriticised. It was a brief moment, but a joy to see a maestro at work: as if Kiri Te Kanawa were to interrupt your chat by singing the chorus of Wonderwall.) Now there is news of Steve "Shagger" Norris's memoirs. His

book, Changing Trains, has been described as "making Alan Clark's diaries look like Mr Pootar's".

A great exaggeration. I am sure, though I gather that he does not only reveal what happens in government, but also discusses his own varied and hectic love 196

Norris has been minister for Norris has been minister for transport in London for years now. He has clearly learned the cry of the popular old London clipples: "Always room for one nore on top!

pression. I believe the desire for democracy always defeats dictatorship and repression. What about South Africa? Megawati Sukarnoputri, the Indonesian op-position Leader, said only a month ago that the armed forces must commute to play a central role in politics. She explained: "They come from the grass roots. They are part of the soul of the country

If you really think our democratic and legal institutions are not functioning properly, why don't you or one of the groups for which you lobby take the Govern-ment to court? Or is it that everyone is out of step except you? Yours reasonably,

Dear Robert,

Robert Kay

THERE are witness statements and photographs of British equip-ment being used. These have been

presented by Bast Timorese survi-vors to BAs and to the British government. We will be using these as evidence in our prosecution against BAs and the DTI for murder. We are inviting thou-sands of citizens to join us in this private prosecution. Export guidelines state that weapons should not be supplied to countries engaged in major human rights abuses; the Scott Report is a damn-ing indictment of the licensing

regulations. You are right to say that eyes might well be opened by a look at British best practice! Britain was the centre of the international slave trade, started the drug trade with the Opium Wars in China, developed the concentration amps in the Boer War, violently colonised vast areas of the planet and has exported the "experience" of Northern Ireland as repressive "anti-terrorist" legislation to nu-merous regimes who use it to stop democracy breaking out. Our present defence policy,

based on threats to use nuclear weapons to control other people's

Yours in peace, Angie Zelter

The Guardian Saturday September 7 1996



ONY BLAIR has a habit of bouncing people. Long ago, with Neil Kinnock's ap-

proval, he bounced the Labour Party into abandoning the closed shop. Later, as party leader, in a passage deliberately omitted from the text of a conference

leadership speech, he bounced it into the operation which eventu-ally killed Clause 4. Even the deputy leader was only let into the secret a few hours before. It must be unsettling for old Labour Party members nowa

days to open the papers. They go to bed subscribing to certain views and beliefs and wake up to find they believe in something entirely different. Many thought they believed that adjusting the tax regime was something you did to help the needy at the ex-pense of the rich. Now they find they have to believe in a scheme for a 10p band which won't belp

the very poorest, who don't pay tax, but will benefit every taxpayer, including the richest. But what's happened in Scot-land aids a new twist to the bounce technique. First, the

Scottish party found itself bounced into a commitment to a referendum on devolution involving two questions — one on the principle, one on taxation powers. Last weekend, the lead-ership bought the support of a baulky Scottish Labour executive by promising a second, sepa rate, referendum after the legis lation had gone through, again on the taxation question. But now, in a further bounce, that commitment has been unilaterally junked. They've gone back to the Blair solution. New Labour: the party whose

citadel is a bouncy castle

First we don't get stam-peded by headline writers and editors of broadcast bulleting into accepting the view that no MP or member of the party can ever say anything orig-inal again. I joined the Labour Party because it's a democratic party and in a democratic society you can't have a party like Labour behaving by standards of democracy that are any less than we offer to people outside." — Robin Cook, interviewed by the New Sintesman

Question: Which of the following groups do you think could also do with this warning? a) The strings of the Rotterdam Philhermonic. b) Labour's spin doctors. c) The Federation of Master Butchers. d) The Weobey and District Gardeners forum. e) Those who give Labour's spin doctors their inignating the two correct answers form an English verb, having to do with existence.

handing a gun to a serial killer. A thin line held by international law is all that separates legalised killing by soldiers in defence of their country from terrorism. The Indonesian Armed Forces are not engaged in any legitimate war of self-defence. Indonesia is

equipment, including tanks and

missiles, are regularly used.

Subarto's regime from the late seventies to the present day, by re-stocking Indonesia's arsenals, has the aggressor illegally occupying neighbouring countries.

enabled him to carry out genocide in East Timor. Britain continues to support Suharto for strategic reasons and for gold, timber and oil. The mass killings are covered up and excused because the public would be appalled at the extent of British collusion. British Aerospace and the British government know full well that BAe Hawk aircraft have been used to murder unarmed villagers and to terroris the population. Other British

edy. Suharto is a major war crimi nal; by providing weapons and aid to him the British government is complicit in his crimes. In simple terms, Britain is complicit in mass murder. The sale to Indonesia of weapons and repressive technology, as well as the training of military and police personnel must end immediately. Yours sinceraly, Angle Zelter

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Robert Key, left, and Angie Zelter

Dear Angle,

THANK you for your letter. As an elected politician, who as a child narrowly escaped death from a British landmine which killed five of my friends, I need no lessons in piety nor in moral outrage. Don't get me wrong. I condemn the appalling excesses and atroo ities which are reported from in-donesia. Of course, Britain does

not recognise its sovereignty over East Timor. The question is, what's to be done?

Your answer is simple. Ignore the history which created the problem, come to a perverse judg ment about Indonesian state insti tutions and then isolate that nation in the international community. Mine is different. We cannot turn our European backs on people who were ruled by Holland and Portugal, invaded by Japan and then abandoned to "independence" without political struc-tures or institutions to govern what is now the fourth most populous country in the world.

From one of the poorest countries, it has risen well intothe middle-income bracket. The astonishing fact is that this mixture of tribes and religions has held together as a nation. But there is unacceptable corruption, limited press freedom and unrealistic restrictions on democracy I want to help change all that.

The Indonesian Army is not syn-onymous with President Subarto. It is loyal to its current political master, but it could have seized power often in the past 40 years. It has not, because the role of their armed forces is defined in law as

more missiles and cluster bombs inifungsi -- a dual-function de- | fance and socio-political role. It is respected for its "middle way" by political parties and by the prolemocracy movement. There should be no excuses for Suharto's regime. It should abide by the rule of law, and so should

we. Smashing up other people's property is negative and self-in-dulgent. Why not divert that ener-gy and enterprise into action to improve the situation in properties Indonesia? Yours sincerely,

Robert Key MP Dear Robert,

GENERAL Subarto is a military

dictator who came to power in bloody military comp. He consoli-dated his dictatorship by killing over a million Indonesians. The West actively supported him, and we have yet to come to terms with this shameful part of our postcolonial history. You condemn the atrocities, ask-

ing what can be done. Yet you ignore British weapons and tor-ture equipment sales. How can democracy flourish at the end of a gun? We should distinguish in our aid and trade between supporting the people of Indonesia, who are very poor, and adding to the cof-fers of Suharto's family, worth over £10 billion. The weapons sold to Indonesia are used in the forceful exploitation of land, resources and labour against the people's wIII

I certainly agree with your last paragraph. Subarto is negative and self-indulgent. We disarmed a and self-indulgent. We disarmed a Hawk jet to prevent it dropping racy doesn't flourish under op-

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Britain should support oppression on the people of Rest Timor and they have thanked us for this. What they cannot understand is why four ordinary woman had to do it and why the British police or Attorney General did not ensure compliance with the arms export guidelines, the 10 UN resolutions and international law. If our dem-Dear Angle, ocratic and legal institutions letter. The answer to your only question is no. I am genuinely worked properly the British gov-ernment would be prosecuted for Perhaps not surprising given your

supplying weapons to Subarto. How can you justify support for this arms trade? Yours sincerely, Angie Zelter

Dear Angie,

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remaps not surprising given your interpretation of history and your crazy description of UK defence policy. Your comments on the Hague case last July are bizarre and wrong. The court concluded that there is in international law THANK you for your reply. In spite of all your wild allegations, no one — including the UN — has found any reliable evidence of no comprehensive and universal prohibition of the threat or use of nuclear weapons. The UK's stance Sources weapons. The OK's stance is exclusively defensive. Your colleague, Andrea Need-ham, has written, "Labour has been as bad as the Tories". How British arms or equipment being used for repressive purposes. I am not surprised, because we have such a tight licensing regime for arms exports in line with internadepressing for you! Please don' give up on the human race tional guidelines. The UN resolutions which con-

especially tolerant Britain. The arms trade is justified by Article 51 of the UN Charter — the demned the occupation of East Timor in 1975 did not impose an right of all states to self-defence. Excessive military spending is one of the factors which decides alloca-tion of our aid — which for Indoarms ambargo. Given the nature of the country and its welcome role in UN peace-keeping opera-tions, indenesia has a legitimate You appear to believe that even in a liberal democracy such as ours, the ends justify the means. interest in having well-trained and properly-equipped armed forces. By training their military and police with our professional As the tragic peoples of East Timor might warn you, that justi-fication has been used by tyrants forces in the UK, eyes will be opened, best practice learned and seeds sown back in indonesia.

down the ages. Yours confidently, Robert Key

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THANK YOU for your desperate

sorry your outlook is so warped

Spend most of this weekend trying to decide how exact-ly the Romans played the board game newly dug up by the Col-chester Archaeological Trust. so that democracy can flourish? I doubt that the BAe-sponsored uni-This will be all the more difficult given the disparate versions in different newspapers. The versities in East Asia will include courses in history, law and ethics. Guardian has 11 counters on one side and 10 on the other, which

worries the Trust's director. Veterans of park football, however, could tell him that contests between a team of 11 and a team of 10 — or even a team of seven are by no means unusual. They reflect the fact that somebody's bus was late, or someone else dropped the car keys down the back of the fridge. Alternatively, the game may have been comparable to league football in Britain. The fact that one side has only 10 men means that one, probably some Roman equiva-lent of Vinnie Jones, has been and off.

The Telegraph has 12 white and 12 blue glass pieces, while the Times portrays a board on which each side has 10 — though its picture seems to have been devised before the Trust found the 21st piece. I think I might do better sticking to Ludo (which may be Roman too, since Ludo, if I remember, is the Latin word meaning "I play.")

NBALANCE, an asset —though she might have been more of one if she had been born less bright." N BALANCE, an asset - Daily Telegraph reporter com-pares and contrasts Cherie Blair with Norma Major.

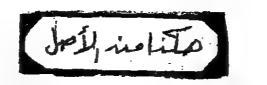
N A FURTHER severe rebuke for the late Alexander Pope, who disparaged monosyllables in poetry, a reader has sent me these lines by Michael Dray-ton, published in 1619: "Since there's no help, come let us kiss and part/ Nay, I have done, you get no more of me/ And I am a glad, yea glad with all my heart/ That thus so cleanly I myself can free" — 33 successive monosyllables. And the 1966 edition of Pegasus, the journal of the Exeter University department of classics and ancient history, contains a piece by Fidiculanius Falcula, possibly a pseudonym, which quotes a speech from the last act of Othello ("It is the cause, it is the cause, my soul") which also has 33 successive monosyllables. Better still, FF draws attention to an exchange in Macaulay's Horatius between the hero and a consul, in which 70 out of 75 words are monosyllables. It is wonderfully stirring stuff, completely confuting the view of silly old Alexander that monosyllables breed boredom. A shame the conversation involved the consul, holder of a disallyabic office, rather than, say, a thane.

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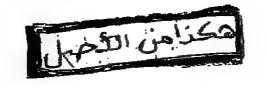
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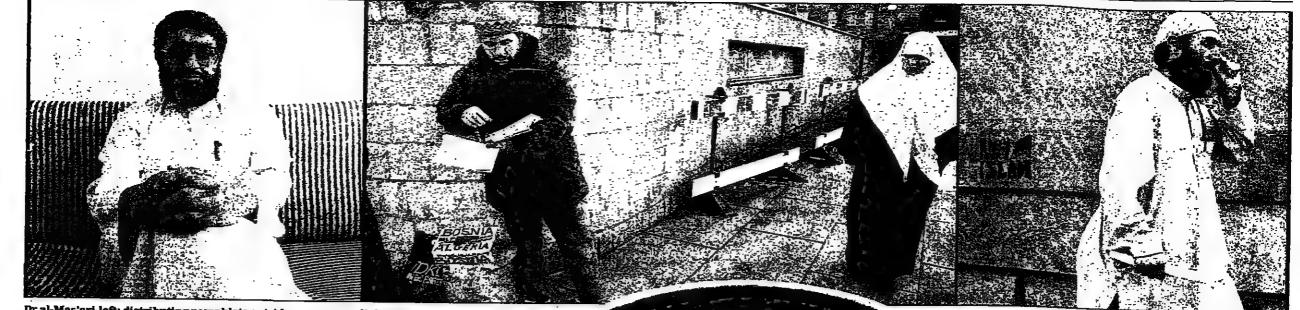
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Dr al-Mas'ari.left; distributing pamphlets outside a mosque; rallying cry for the faithful HOTOGRAPHS: GRAHAM TURNER, SEAN SMITH, DAVID GIBSON, Main photograph by DAVID SILL TOP

Halfway house for the hopeful

London may be an unlikely place for an Islamic revolution. But, says Adam LeBor, it is fast becoming the Middle East's

intellectual capital

Arabs say it is more productive to meet here than in Cairo, Amman

or Tel-Aviv. For Palestinian intellectuals such as Dr Ahmad Khalidi, born in Beirut in 1948 and a scion of an ancient Jerusalemite family, London is where Israeli and Arab could talk freely, a place where the many currents of contempo

amic cyber-revolutionary. Dr Moham-med al-Mas'ari, has chosen an unlikely for his interna tional campaign to topple the in-creasingly fragile edifice of the Royal House of Saud. The beauty terrorism. of cyberspace, however, is that lo

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of Islamic exiles - well advised by their own Muslim lawyers are practised at balancing the demands of calling for a Muslim revolution abroad while obeying British laws on incitement to racial hatred or supporting For many in the West, Islamists

prosecuted, but London's coterie

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facto intellectual capital of the Middle East. Speech is free, there is no gov-

ernment censorship of news-papers and opposition groups en-

hat you serve the interest of your religion if you try to make it narrow and exclusive. Inclusivity is the source of gree tness of every

quality of the telephone lines even quiet, pedestrian London NW10 has no shortage of these.

Its quiet streets of 1930s house with their middle-class Indian Afro-Caribbean and Jewish communities, have few claims to fame. But now, events in at least have dented his image as a human one residence are watched avidly But as a scientist himself, al-Mas'ari sees his work as part of a by virtually every player in the Middle East from the CIA and MI6 to the Saudi Arabian embassy and the Foreign Office. From his Willesden address, al-Mas'ari stretches back to the academies of ninth century Baghdad and the runs his campaign through telephone calls, faxes and e-mail -- he an Arabic word) and logarithms. also has a site on the internet's World Wide Web - to remove the monarchy from power in Saudi lieves. "People who think that must be idiots, this is absolute Arabia and replace it with an islamic democracy, a moveable feast of a political concept. nonsense

Al-Mas'ari is the best known of the international Islamic dissidents who have made their home in London. Thousands of Islamists were expected at an International Islamic Conference in London rubble of old ideas who have shartomorrow, until the venue's management decided yesterday to call off the rally. The move followed a and improvements." strongly-worded warning from the Home Office to the organisers that any statements made in support of terrorism would not be tolerated. The Government has been under intense pressure from countries including Egypt and Algeria to ban the conference.

Home Officer minister Tom network, and with decades-old ties to Islam's lands, in many Sackville has promised that any-one who breaks the law will be ways London has now become the

their fears about Islam being an could never exploit at home. For dissidents such as al-Mas'ari, who alien and obscurantist faith, of star-gazing desert bedouin and nonagenarian Ayatollahs passing has an American wife, London provides the ideal centre of faturas on the dusty plains of Peroperations. sia. Certainly, his reported calls for the "annihilation of the Jews" As long as exiles do not break

Britain's laws, or advocate violence or terrorism, there are no legal restrictions on political activities for Arab opposition groups in London, whether their members arrive as tourists, stuchain of Islamic innovation that

dents or claim political asylum. Two major international Arabic Muslim scientists and mathematilanguage newspapers, Ash-Sharq Al-Awsat (Middle East) and Alcians who gave the world Algebra Hayat (Life), are published in London and the city is also home to an To see Islam as unscientific is to have the eyes of a fool, he be-Arabic satellite television station and, of course, the BBC Arabic service, respected across the Middle East for its impartiality and accuracy. The English-Is-lamic media arc extends also to Now Islam is enjoying an intellectual renaissance he says. It is those scholars and clergy "who Pakistan, with the Urdu language newspaper Jang and the English language The News, both pub-lished in London and Pakistan. are not overloaded with historic

pened their analytical tools and studied physics, mathematics. They are now accepting change Many exiled Muslim dissidents take ready advantage of British freedoms that they would never It is in London, rather than allow their own citizens, should Cairo or Beirut, Damascus or Riyadh, that these "changes and improvements" are being fash-ioned. Halfway between the they ever come to power. Every major and most minor opposition groups have a presence in London. They include: Algeria's Islamic Salvation Front; the Pales-tinian Hamas; the Tunisian An-Middle East and the United States, with easy access to Europe, the Nahda (renaissance) movement, secular Iraqi opposition organisahub of a global communications tions such as the Free Iraqi Coun-cil and even Pakistan's Mohajir

London's Muswell Hill Most of these are banned in

their mother country and the presence of so many Muslim revo-lutionary organisations has even prompted talk of London being the base for a new "Fundamental-ist International", a sort of Mus-lim Comintern, where Islamic revolutions are planned and emis-saries despatched with secret orders.

These organisations are toler ated for several reasons - although many in the Home Office and the Foreign Office would like to see them expelled because of the difficulties they can cause to Britain's domestic security and the way they disrupt trade and di-plomacy with the Arab world. To change the laws and outlaw political activity would be a legal quag-mire, because there is still a tradition in Britain of giving asylum to foreigners seen as trouble-makers at home.

A few miles from the CDLR's headquarters, in Holborn, central London, are the offices of the Saudi-supported Ash-Sharq Al-Awsat, one of the Arab world's most important newspapers whose pages are a forum for de bate on almost every issue affect ing the future of the Middle East except anything critical of the House of Saud. A picture of a smil-ing Queen Elizabeth greeting the Saudi King Fahd is proudly displayed in the foyer, a pictorial remnant of Britain's long ties to

a special place in the Muslim world, says Ayad Abu Shakra, a senior editor. "As a power in Asia and Africa, Britain interacted with the Muslim communities and with the intellectual trends in the Muslim world.

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"You cannot underestimate the influence Britain had on the Indian sub-continent. In the first world war, the British promoted the idea [of Arab nationalism] among Arabs that 'you are Arabs, why should you obey a Turkish sultan, he is not a Muslim sultan, he is a Turkish sultan'. It create a legacy of goodwill until 1948, when the state of Israel was created."

> S a journalist and self-described "semi-academic" Abu Shakr represents a different breed of

Arab intellectual to al-Mas'ari still Muslim of course by birth, culture and belief, but tending more to modern secular-ism, than islamic revivalism. You cannot simplify Islam, just as you cannot simplify Christian-ity. You cannot say that Chris-tianity is the brand that I define as Christianity.

"Christianity for a monk on Mt Athos in Greece is his brand, but if you go to the Bible belt in America, it is about baptism. Islam is a world culture, it is a huge culture, a global religion and it can encompass many trends. I don't believe

But this must also be a two-way process, he says, and Muslims must give as well as take, if they wish to be accepted. 'I for one have no right to impose my values on the British. I am gaining from them, I can give to them if they want to get something from me, but I don't impose myself on them. We need concessions from both sides. A civilised society has to be open-minded.

Not every import is welcome though — such as the two bombs in the summer of 1994 that ex-ploded outside the Israeli embassy and a Jewish organisation. For Middle East expert Hazhir Temourian, an Iranian Kurdish axile now living in London, the increasing Saudi dominance of the Arabic-language international media, and the presence of so many Arab journalists, is not

healthy for Britain. "The Sheikhs of Araby want to use London to set up newspapers to spread propaganda among the other Muslims who live in Europe. I have met people who ad-mitted that they are Muslim revolutionaries, passing themselves off as moderates, in order to be brought to Britain by the Arab press. London is now the biggest television satellite centre for the Arab world. I believe that Britain

is just storing up trouble." London has also played a pivotal role in the Arab-Israeli peace process. Some of the first meetings between the two sides took place here. Both Israelis and

rary Arab thought meet and co alesce. "In many cases, the Arab world is not really conducive to serious thought. If you think of yourself as a free thinker, and you want to practice what you preach or write what you believe, it's much easier here. The atmo-sphere in much of the Islamic world today and in the recent past is not only repressive, but pretty much closed."

Yet while Khalidi, who married into a Scottish family, is well as-similated into London life, he points out many Arab visitors and residents stay within their own business and social communities "In England a foreigner is for-eigner, very clearly, unlike the United States where everybody is different. Culturally, I consider myself a Muslim and if you ask me I would say I am a Muslim, but I haven't made very strong or con-

scious efforts to convince my chil-dren to be Muslim. I haven't encountered much racism, or come across overt racism. "The other day I was in a cab

and I was giving the driver direc-tions. When I got to the door he said: 'It's good to hear an Englishman speak with such perfect dic-tion'. I just smiled to myself." Which is, of course, a perfectly English reaction.

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Any road up, life's a party Julia Langdon on the

promise of Blair's pint

May — or, as Paddy Ashdown was privately putting it: "To go through another winter with **HE** Coronation Street set in Granada's television studios has a particular importance in this bloody lot".

So the clanking of the elec-tion machinery has been audi-ble since spring, the electorate are already displaying signs of unrest at what lies ahead and we seem to be faced with perthe electoral cycle of modern British politics which has not, perhaps, previously been recorded. It is the backdrop for the political equivalent of the first cuckoo of Spring. For the first sighting of a polmanent electioneering for an-other nine months. Most mothitician dropping in for a pint at the Rover's Return is a certain ers regard the normal period of gestation as the longest nine months of their lives; the next promise that a general election is imminent. It should serve as a warning to all C2 socio-econine months may possibly test nomic group voters that a cam-paign for their support is under us all.

The appearance in Manchester's Quay Street of Tony Blair, preceded by his broadest way. This year, the portents oc-curred a little late. As those insmile, was merely a confirma-tion of the opening of the next terested in the politics of either Coronation Street or Britain phase of more intense public activity by the political heavy-weights. And if there had been any doubt, it would have been dispelled by the events of the will already be aware, the next election campaign has been under way for some time — the BBC even had their full-scale dress-rehearsal months ago. Al-though that was because the fragility of the Government's seven days since.

There has been the interparty wrangling about tax issues with the Chancellor, position in Parliament and the Kenneth Clarke, and his volatile political atmosphere has meant that for much of this Labour Shadow, Gordon Brown, under-cutting each year there has been real possiother's promises with all the unseemliness of the super-market price war. Before we bility of an election any time. The Prime Minister's known impatience with his own bickering backbenchers also led many to believe he would not know it, they will be issuing loyalty cards for tax cuts.

want to allow Parliament to run its full course until next launch of what will probably



become known as the War of the Wives. The announcement that Norma Major will in finite play a more prominent role in the Prime Minister's campaigning was immediately turned into a full-scale press construints on the differing spectacular on the differing and developing styles of Norma and Cherie Booth with endless potential spin-off articles (with accompanying illustrations) about careers versus carers While Cherie was no doubt grit-ting her teeth with fury in court at all the frivolous discus-

sion of frocks, one can only imagine the joy in the publicity department of the publishing house which is bringing out Norma's book about Chequers pext week.

The last week has also seen new advertisements unveiled, the latest from both main parties designed to persuade us not to allow our decisions about the most deserving political party to be influenced by our brains. Instead, they both appear de-termined to treat the electorate like morons.

There is a further puzzle here, though, because while the here, though, because while the clever-clogs at the agencies are all using negative advertising they seem to have aimed at pos-titively the wrong markets. The Tories, who surely ought to be trying to win back the dis-gruntled middle class vote, are instand trying to fricther the instead trying to frighten the foolish C2 vote about the threat from that nice well-mannered Mr Blair. Meanwhile the Labour Party,

whose traditional supporters are a bit uneasy about too and all his New friends, want to make further inroads into the gin-and Jaguar set by playing up the professional classes' his-toric distaste for taxes. And there is another mystery: how are they going to keep all this going without it having the reverse effect?

Whatever his instincts, the Prime Minister was rightly pre-vailed upon to lose neither his rag nor his reason this summer and to postpone the election until the last possible moment. He will have the satisfaction next week of notching up 2,114 days in Downing Street - exactly half the term in residence of his record-breaking predecessor — and in November the sixth anniversary of his election.

The Conservatives can only hope to benefit as a result of the delay in the date of the election. The polls are already beginning to demonstrate this. There has been a trickling back of Tory middle class support as the pro-gress out of recession proceeds and the property market picks up. Labour's internal wran-gling has had some impact on Tony Blair's impressive personal poll standing, according to yesterday's Gallup findings. And there is accumulating evi-dence of the "soft" nature of much of the huge Labour lead — which is a surprise to no one, including the Labour Party.

Even so, according to the cur-rent figures it still looks as if it would need a full-scale civil war to break out in the Labour Party and the date of the elec-tion to be put back until 1998 to allow the Conservatives to recover sufficiently to be in with a chance.

As neither of those things will be allowed — although a Bill to introduce six-year parliaments, were it to be an-nounced in the Queen's Speech, could very effectively occupy the House of Commons until next May — there will instead be a prolonged campaign of attrition. And who will be the losers in that campaign? One or other of the political parties? Or the electorate?

18 THE WEEK

Durham's revelation Bill Viola, the world's best known video installation artist, was commissioned to create a work for Durham Cathedral, and this week presented them with a naked man in a tank. For four days, a team of clerics, artists and technicians struggled to put the work together. **Andrew O'Hagan** joined them. This is his diary

DAY: Churches and art are inseparable I sup-pose. On the train to Durham I read a sermon spoken in the Cathedral at the end of the last century by somebody called William Alexan-der, the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe. It had all the undiluted piety and certitude of one bound to the promise of a better world than this. "If the Cross is viewed by St Matthew as Prophecy realised," he Matthew as Prophecy realises," he said. "by St Mark as strength, by St John as Truth: by St Luke it is regarded as Beauty. It is the Gospel which has supplied painters and poets with their choicest materi-als.' You can only wonder what the Evangelists would make of video installations originated in Los installations originated in Los Angeles by someone holding a can-die for Eastern mysticism. But they would probably be quite cool about it: authors are seldom as

fanatical as the people who read their books. Inside the cathedral it was all go. A metal rigging was being put up behind the font. On top of that there would be a high-beam video projector; the image would fall on a screen to be erected on the Great Western Door. "Looks like that 17th-century water font won't see out the weekend." said Alan, the game-for-a-laugh press agent for the area's Year of Visual Arts. Falicity Sparrow, the project man-ager, is one of those decent sorts who illuminate the day. She has that crazy-making talent for being efficient and funny at the same time. She is signing a receipt when I first see her. "More bureaucracy than you'll ever see." she says, "absolutely everything in tripli-cate." Bill Viola is due to arrive on day two, so technical preparations

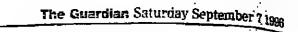
phone about what to do with this and that problem. The Verger stands on the other side of the security rope, peering into this garden of earthly delights.

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ECOND DAY: There is exchange between men coming in the of the cathedra this morning. One said he had to get away to write some-thing about "the battle of the organs". Some of us were left won dering just what he meant, in the

light of present troubles. Felicity is standing outside with a fag. "The willy problem was always my worst nightmare," she says. "My view is you're as well being hung for a sheep as a lamb. The sight ring rores will go for. The right-wing press will go for it anyway." It turns out there is an uncensored version of the installation standing by, but it needs the agreement first of the Chaplaincy to the Arts, who commissioned the work, and then the separate agree-ment of the Dean and Chapter of the cathedral itself. This is not going to be easy.

The First Verger is straight out of Trollope: mumbling and stooped and evasive. When I ask him a question he stiffly gives me the name of the PR company who represent the Cathedral. The Secrepresent the Cathedral. The Sec-ond Verger is altogether more human. He tolls me the church can handle anything. He says the cathedral itself is a marvellous piece of Norman technology. "The fabric of this building was built between the 11th and 12th cen-turies," he says, "The interior is decorated and marked with the passing of time, and with the art of previous generations, but the



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stone, his assistant from California, who is an artist herself, Claire's voice is sonorous and funky: every statement a question, every gesture a moment in classical opera. The installation will involve a

video image of a man coming up from the bottom of a pool, break-ing the surface, taking breath, and descending again into the depths. As he comes and goes, the shape of his body is liquified and his form takes on a different character. Claire and the technicians are keen to get all the details perfect, but there are "aesthetic" decisions which must wait for Bill Viola. Claire tells me the art runs from an explosive-resistant metal box; a video monitor, a lazer disc player, a power unit, an amplifier. As the riggers fix the final screws, she shows me the visual on the moni-tor. It looks like something special. She gestures to the sinking man. "He's a champion scuba diver," she says, "he can hold his breath

for four minutes." "Claire," I say, gathering strength, "what has happened to his willy?" "It's not right," she replies, "well ... I think it's a shame. It's not may... Bill feit that it would be right to do it this way" "But it's terrible," I say, "there's a little fuzzy patch following him around, covering up his willy." "Of course," she says. "I mean yeah. I think it's much more offensive than seeing his penis." "He's not coming under pressure to ..." "No, I don't think so," she says, "I don't think he was pressured at all. I just think he thought it might not be best for the public to see this two-foot penis." We continue staring at the monitor for a second.

"What. He has a two-foot penis?" "No. no" says Claire, cracking up, "no. I mean up on the screen, you know, up there it would be two foot long." A cherry-picker is lifting gear on to the top of the rigging. Andy the video technician tells me the projector is worth £50,000. Claire talks to Bill Viola on the

stands regardless of whatever else is happening. This is a living church." After this he takes me up to the very top of the cathedral. We go through a secret door into the ball chamber. There is a hole in the floor there, and when you put your eye to it, you look through a vast space, all the way down to tiny human figures going about

their day. A problem develops in the form of white flashes on the installation screen. The projected image is being interfered with (an "unwanted signal" says Tom) which caused them to request a new disk from America. There isn't much time. Tom and some others go off to Type Tees Telsvi-sion to check out the fault. Bill Viola arrives with his wife

and two children. He said later that he loved the way his kids ordered food in restaurants ("penne pasta with pesto please") and he obviously takes great delight in them. We discuss his work with no sense of the comedy (or anxiety) that surrounds the present attempts to mount it. "Gradually," he has said ing that the 20th century artist is not necessarily someone who draws well, but someone who thinks well." The Messenger at Durham is invested with a variety of thoughth but he cost is concerned. of thoughts, but he sees it as something which brings together a lot of what he had been doing. "The early years of video art were about learning to use the technology," he says. "I couldn't have attempted a piece like this 10 years ago." In his notebooks he has written that "technology always seems to lead us away from ourselves. The real work of the contemporary video artist, then, after acquiring the necessary technical skills, is in the development and understanding of the self.'

It isn't long before Viola is in on the willy jokes, though "I'm sorry I took so long," he says after coming from a trip in search of a phone, "I was looking for a penis."

He jokes about the time he spent in the studio covering it up. "It's my first ever electronic fig leaf." HIRD DAY: I spent a while in the bath this morning, seeing how long I could stay underwater. Not very long: certainly not long enough to beat the man on the screen. The cathedral technicians put and surprise. The man looks stunned, paralysed almost, as he bobs at the surface. Back underwagels over the stained glass windows nearest to the installation: they reduce incoming light by about 30 per cent. They have bor rowed gels from the set of the BBC children's programme Byker Grove, which is shot somewhere over in west Newcastle. Claire is painting the platforms that the speakers will stand on. I read Viola's original proposal for the installation, it describes the man coming out of water as "startling, relieving and desperate". I wonder if it has something to do with death and resurrection. Paul Rubinstein from Durham City Council comes in. He was one of the prime movers (along with Bill clear water. Hall of the Chaplaincy) behind the scheme to bring this installation appropriate," he tells me, "that first-rate work like this, by an internationally renowned artist. can find a home in this city. We managed to raise enough money to allow the work to be bought by the

Chaplaincy to the Arts. It now

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elongs here." Viola sold them the

Viola's The Messenger . . . The Dean feels it would be better to put screens round the work in the daytime PHOTOGRAPH STEWART BONNE they haven't seen," he says. "It is of its kind I've ever seen. It's just they float away on a tide of giggles. so right that it should be installed something they should celebrate." They start up a test version of here. I come across something the installation. It really is stun-Viola said years ago. "I remember

ning — a first-rate piece of work. When the man floats to the top, the sound of lapping water turns to a sort of roar as his head and chest emerge from the water hungry for air. The whole thing is a light-sculpture: full of depth and spirit

ter he bends like a miraee. I go to sleep thinking about the amount of hope and fury invested in bits of art around these parts. Antony Gormley's Angel at Gateshead. The works in the sculpture park along the Tyne, in places that used to be rubbish tips. One of Viola's written notes comes into my bead along with an image of his submerged man. "The regular rhythm of the live beating heart. The light of an object and its internal image. The sound of a tuned wire in vibration. The weight of a stone. The rejection in a bowl of

OURTH DAY: The last day before the opening. Bill Viola decides the rigging was wrong. It has to be moved about a foot further out on each side. There is a problem with this because the crew can't get the extra rigging required. The only stuff left in the area is being used by the Chippendales.

work for \$50,000 As to the general I look at the installation again. I nervousness being felt. Paul is quite offumant. If think it is quite wonder about its success, and think it must have something to do courageous that the cathedral with the way it summons emotion. they showed more of that we'd be Viola at Durham Cathedral, will run until I think it's the most powerful thing in here more often." And with that 12 October. with the way it summons emotion. should agree to accept a work that

falling into a lake when I was 10." he said, "I almost died. The thing I remember is the imagery of this incredibly beautiful, serene blue-green world that I had no idea existed below the surface." decide not to mention that to him. Felicity tells me they'll have to make a decision about the willy.

'I'm sorry I took so long,' says Viola. 'I was looking for a penis'

She's quite upset at the idea that the French (where it will be shown next) will get the uncensored version. All of a sudden, what some have started calling the "French Version" appears on the screen. A group of decision makers and shakers huddle around each other. Bill Viola says something about the nature of church art. The fully naked man starts floating on the screen without trouble or care. "I think it's great."

says an elderly lady standing with her sister-in-law by the font. "it's so beautiful, kind of peaceful. It will be controversial, mind y and matters. But fill tell you something -- al Tre Messenger, An Installation by Bill

Bill Vloia comes back from his meeting to tell us the naked version has won the day. "It was a lively discussion," he says, "but reason won out in the end. I can well understand why people would be nervous. This is their place after all." The crew will now busy themselves altering rigging and putting the last thing in place before the opening party. A certain member of the clergy

stops worrying over this excellent innovation at Durham Cathedral just long enough to offer me a word from Job. The one about naked you came into this world and naked you shall return. Well, that is fair enough. But it's also good to know that many will come before this work with no particuhar drum to bang, and no great part of their mind closed to the elegance instilled in the image of that enigmatic Messenger. They might even think it important to stand up for this sort of thing, and stand against those who would oppose it. The whole thing cost £198.000, of which less than half came from the National Lottery Fund. Well worth the bother I'd say.

A very late development. The Dean comes back from his holi-days and gives his highly influential view. He is against covering the man's genitalia electronically but feels it would be better, and more legal, to put screens around the work during the davtime. It is, of course, the Dean's opinion that

Going . . . As big cheese of the **Bring back Manning** BBC radio drama department, Tydeman handles 2,000 projects a year, including all the major Shakespearian tragedies with Shakespearian tragedies with Nicol Williamson, Paul Scofield and Peggy Ashcroft. He becomes famous as mentor to Adrian Mole.

SHOOTING STARS

Up . . . From the moment the

destiny is never in doubt. A

School, he dances the role of

stuttering 10-year-old Kemp realises his feet don't stammer, his

graduate of the Royal Ballet Uppe

Gypsy Lover in the school's end-of-

year performance — Ashton's The Two Pigeons — and earmarks himself for greater things.

Up . . . This year - at the ripe

first choreographic work for the Royal Ballet Company, Zebra Crossing, for their gala perfor-mances in Kenya.

And away In his first year in the dazzling Adventures in Motion Pictures' Swan Lake, the wun-derkind Kemp takes minor roles.

This week, he dances the part of

the Swan in Swan Lake as under

FALLING

JOHN TYDEMAN

study to Adam Cooper.

old age of 19 - he completes his

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KEMP

Going . . . It's 1994, and after 30 glorious years at the Beeb, Tydeman steps down. Auntie is selling her soul to the market, and his job-title is now "business unit manager". "That's BUM. In capitals. It's not me," he growls.

Gone . . . Resurfaces next week as director of the thirties potboller Night Must Fall at the Thorndlka Theatre in Leatherhead, with Jason Donovan in the lead role.





LAME Bernard Manning -everyone does. For a funny thing happened to me on the way to The Happidrome, the place where old jokes go to die, and my conversion is as intense as if I had

been on the road to Damascus. Manning appeared as a high vision of low comedy, and I saw him as worthy to be one of those laughing stocks who should have preservation orders slapped upon them. My liberal conscience with-

Parkinson interview with the late Les Dawson reminded us about great comedy, and BBC TV begins its autumn shows to reveal how dreary humour has become, I've decided that Manning is one of the few who can still gut-punch audiences into belly-laughs.

It's technique I'm talking here, not the racist, sexist schtick that makes Manning infamous. For the best comedians are fascist in their totalitarian command: that's Manning, I have watched him work. He relies solely on a gross ton-

nage of invective to shock us into



laughter. As politically incorrect as a spoilt baliot-paper, he breaks conventions as easily as wind. het he is a pitifully degraded

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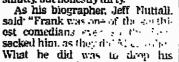
Les Dawson, Eric Morecambe, Tommy Cooper, Marti Caine, Frank Randle, Sandy Powell. Last year I wrote a radio programme about Britain's laughter, which gathered apercus such as

not, he is one with Frankie Howerd.

mislaid the paddle of comedy as we all went up the creek.

In the past, comedians bound up our wounds by making us laugh at hurt: now: the unsmiling snideries of Jack Dee or the liverlippiness of Jo Brand hold sway.

Their humour cares for nobody: | live comedians. For when was the In the days of Moss Empires, Frank Randle belched and farted across northern stages: "Does than belly rumble when tha' ates peas"" As an ancient yokel he would call women "tarts" and "hot 'uns". Then replace his dentures to sing Ave Maria. He was not facetiously smutty but honestly dirty.



trousers, to cack in his trousers, to

But Dead Les, is town in the

make us face the facts of life." Pandle's style is not allowed these days. Telly-pervasive comedians gather us into an aloof conspiracy to sneer. Satire has a lot to answer for

last time you fell from your seat laughing? I have done so, at Dawson, at Howerd, at Powell. But these were other voices, other music

halls, other mothers in law. Let us not forget these laughter makers, though, even if Bernard Manning is among the last decayed and appalling remnants. Meanwhile, a duo-digital gesture to those who have forgotten that Rabeiais is end of the reast than ridicule.

The strary Worth used to 7.16 say 'I don't mind when an audience walks out on me - it's when they walk towards me that I panic." It was because of that panic, the panic we shared about life, that we loved him. As we did all those stand-ups who were the ultimate - - : : : the distribution of the second s

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Jim Davidson saving: "Sexism goes with the lifestyle of the North" and Sheffielder Marti Caine responding: "Adversity breeds humour." I realise now the message was that entertainers had lost touch with the working-class desperation that united us in a common lot they had



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IANNEL SURFING STUART JEFERIES

Shallow waters

ERUMI Matthews had everything. Gap between her front teeth. Elongated eyebrows. An inability to dance her way out of a paper bag. Perfect for the lead in Madonna: Innocence Lost (Sky Movies). There was only one problem, which the casting director should have address "Terumi, sweetheart, this is supposed to be about Madonna's early years, catch my drift?" Did Madonna really leave her Detroit home seeking fame, fortune and a complete

make-over, aged 37? TV biopics about living stars often attend to the superficial and let the fundamentals take care of themselves. In last week's Roseanne And Tom: Behind The Scenes (Channel 4), the hairdressers worked over-time on her wigs. But when it came to casting, everyone over-looked the fact that Roseanne is not just fat, but savage wit is inscribed into her facial features. Fat may have been nece

sary, but it was not enough. This sloppiness is more bizarre given the pussyfooting scripts typical of the living-star biopic. In this sub-genre the impression is given that histowinners, but by hack screen-writers and lawyers desperate not to provoke the movies' litigious subjects. Revelatory details are sanitised or exaggerated to conform with the celebrity's desired persona. In Roseanne And Tom, the reductive story was of a comedian triumphing over adversity (sex-ists, unreliable lovers, studio suits who wouldn't recognise a working-class sitcom if it bit their collective ass) which may have fitted Roscanne's self-image, but was chiefly designed not to offend its subject.

WAVE RIDING

ANNE KARPE

What the

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one's own world into another,

there's little to match Dickens

hour each week, Dombey And

on radio. Currently, for one

Son (Radio 4) will take you

where no alcohol can, and where Bleak House, Oliver

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modern adaptor (Michael

Bakewell) has been foraging

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threatening?" "No, it's an incredible turn on!" Naturally, she ditched him in the next scene. All this fits so well with Madonna's image — the sex ter-rorist who detonates desires and leaves them begging for more — as to make its confor-mity with fact subsidiary. By contrast, in true-life movies, the facts fit the form. Only some biographies (dignity Only some biographies (dignity in the face of terminal illness, bizarre baby-swaps) merit the TV movie treatment, just as only contain or he only certain crises can be

only certain crises can be served up a la Oprah. This week the Movie Channel offered abject lessons in what passes for true life on cable: Snowbound: The Jim And Jennifer Stolpa Story (Alive without the camibalism); Rise And Walk: The Dennis Byrd Story (athlete battles movingly against paralysis); Whose Child Is This? The Baby Jessica Story (real and foster parents fight (real and foster parents fight for custody; Escape From Terror: The Teresa Stamper Story (domestic violence sur-vivor drama). All-too-explica-bly, no one has taken up the option on Couch Potato: The

In Innocence Lost, Madonna

was depicted as ballsy, ambi-tious, faithless to anything but her celebrity. She must have loved it. "You make love like a man." said one lover. "You're so aggressive." "Do you find that threatening?" "No, it's an incredible ture on!" Notester line

big, no one has taken up the option on Couch Potato; The Stuart Jeffries Story. More intriguing than the celebrity biopic is the celebrity walk-on, rife this week. It falls into the following categories. 1: Just if' of mer Michello Just lil' ol' me: Michelle

Pfeiffer as herself on Muppets Tonight! (BBC1, see review below right) "Everybody thinks of me as some glamorous star, but really I'm just the simple giri next door." 2: Astute associ-ation with hip show: Mimi Person in The Some Some Some Some Source Rogers in The Larry Sanders Show (BBC2) in which the actress plays Larry's date (he wishes). 3: Irritating intertextu-al virtual walk-on: Jason Alexander (George in Seinfeld) was mentioned as a possible guest on *Larry Sanders*. 4: No really, I can act: Julia Roberts in this week's star-infested Friends (Channel 4) played, with her customary ineptitude for comedy or sexual allure, a woman bent on Chandler's sex-ual humiliation. 5: I'm still alive, guys: Brooke Shields in Friends played a celebrity stalker. Uncannily, she played

the part so well that it may well help revive a flagging career. Perhaps she could star in Hair Apparent: The Jennifer Aniston Story.

to a contemporary audience with liberal ideas on child-care. But Bakewell has also retained some fine satirical descriptions of class attitudes and social change, like the building of the railway, brought alive by the excellent Simon Russell-Beale as Dickens the narrator in Jape Morgan's well-judged production. Radio is the only medium other than the novel which car allow such a large role for nar-ration, yet it can't be long now before Austen-addicted Hollywood discovers Dickens. And Steven Berkoff, that arch English movie baddle, will be in clover for life. Hot on the heels of Radio 4's **Dickens?** first Asian stand-up comedy series comes its first Asian slt-com, Masala FM. Like Doon Your Way, it's set in a radio sta-tion (is this becoming the new, self-referential cliche of comic ERE'S a piece of information to improve your life. For relaxation, recreradio?) whose ratings-seeking Tory owner seeks to deflect our journalist hero from the sober, serious reporting she wants to do. Equal opportunities means equal rights to the flaccid con-ventions of the sitcom, and Masala FM comes festooned with implausibilities, coincl-dences and neat resolutions. But its author, Meera Syal, also me before. The pleasure is espe-cially great if it's a Dickens you has a fabulously sharp ear for the ironies of Anglo-Asian life, know that you're losing density and complexity, but Dickens by so there are lots of crisp, funny lines about everything from fashion (the latest Asian styles radio is still stuffed with narrareveal "a daring expanse of trouser waistband") to cultural Son has seen off Fanny, wife of

Land of the rising fun

Brian Logan on two Midsummer Night's Dreams — one Japanese, the other, er, a Rave

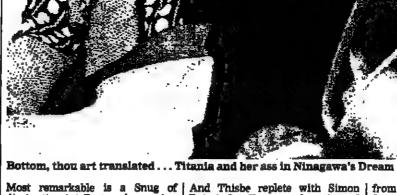
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DCKS — five of them backflip across turtle head rocks on an island least rocks on an Island of white sand, impish lears fixed to their faces like masks. A disembodied soprano haunts this Eastern casis as ruby red lotus petals rain down and wispy figures with foliage erupting from their heads rotate and jerk like short-circuiting automata. Yukio Ninagawa — the legendary Japanese director who brought us a samurai Macbeth and a chariot-bound Medea - is back to share his Dream with us, at the Mermaid Theatre in London.

works now Ninagawa is loose on the one classic that truly invites such experiment. There is no immediate indication of anything so explosive. The stage — a Japan-ese stone garden — bathes in dapby black, pitched against an inky black backdrop, this is a rootless, timeless Elysium. It's calming —

instant karma. The soundscapes soon sculpted by the Japanese tongue bombard such peacefulness. It's an impera-tive sound — although for all I knew these voices are talking about the Kyoto TV schedules. Yet without families media to be led without familiar words to be led or distracted — by one follows all the better the emotional and psy-chological ebbs and flows as this Dream unfolds.

The mechanicals' scenes, for example, are Keystone Cops-style commotion. To a drone of street sounds, they gatecrash this place of spiritual retreat, some on bikes, some on mopeds. Bottom fries some Oriental nosh on a makeshift stove in the kabuki tradition, smell is as important as speciacle or sound.



Most remarkable is a Snug of diminutive intellect and towering proportions, played by Sumo-wresting superstar Ofuji — imag-ine Frank Bruno and Peter Brook in cahoots, and you've got the picture. Together, the mechanicals conjure up the evening's crowning moments: an arch-camp Pyramus

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brilliantly atmospheric effect. Titania soon dispels such tender-ness — she's got a voice like a scratched blackboard and a chalky-white face with such a capacity for grotesque and fantastical expres-sion, it's refreshingly clear that she hauls from an acting tradition lightyears from our own. That's a char-acteristic of the production: it's surprisingly unexperimental, but spellbudingly exotic. Light-years from that other Shakespeare that is being peddled over the river at the Globe.

S IS another Dream, which has created a bit of a buzz at the Chelsea Centre on the King's Road. Picture Puck, sinewy and naked save for a mud-died pair of PVC trousers, his hair knotted, writhing across a spartan

knotted, writhing across a spartan stage like a wounded animal. He rises to his feet, twitches, and laughs in a strangled twist. All the while, the unrelenting rhythm of techno pounds around him and dreadlocked fairies rave. Hopeful Monsters — a new com-pany making their debut on the London stage — aim to invest Shakespeare with the dynamic of club culture. The hypnotic effect of the trance sound, says director Lucy Gordon-Clark, works like the "Tove-in-idleness" drug on the mooning adolescents in the play — It manupulates and seduces. That music — a vibrantly distinctive feature of what would otherwise be a fairly staid Dream — was spe-chally "sculpted" by James Monro, cially "sculpted" by James Monro, director of Flying Rhino Records, DJ. and member of the dance music band Technossomy. The production, meanwhile, is sponsored by a band — the Shamen, who once spent a summer at number one

telling us that "E's are good". With its emphasis on mind-blow ing and shape-shifting, the Dream is a play with which the chemical generation should feel at home. The new-age, eco-conscious and disenfranchised world-view of modern yoof should be salved by a spectacle in which no one exer-cises autonomy except mad fairies in a forest. In recognition of this kinship. Bottom and friends traipse on stage in the finest rave gear the fleamarket could muster.

But classical theatre remains stolidly un-reinvented. If the club vibe coursing through the speak-ers at the Chelsea Centre had been applied with conviction to the rest of this production, this Midsum mer Night's Rave could have been quite special. Instead, it's stan-dard stuff reasonably handled, with a few fire-fly sparks of magic

and much that's pedestrian. Back at The Mermaid, Puck has ridden the closing applause, and now presses himself against the sandy bed of the stone garden, lis-tening. Imperceptibly at first, then emergent, we hear the sounds of when the the hum of electron the urban life: the hum of chatter traffic aggressing itself. The volume rises to a pitch and Puck cries out. InstructionInterformationInterformationInterformationInstructionInterformationInterformationInte The Dream — the show, the sum-mer — is over; it's time to wake up. At the Mermaid until Sept 14 (0171-236 2211) and the Chelsea Centre until

One might have expected fire-

Bates's Our Tune mood-music, and a balletic slo-mo reaction to Bota balance stored reaction of both tom's assification — inch-by-inch hysteria and bumbling slapstick orchestrated by a cackling Puck. Japan: land of the rising fun.

identity. In a second series of

the patriarchal ship-owner Dombey, after she produced his Speaking As An Expert (Radio 4), Laurie Taylor is indulging longed-for son, Paul, and after a splendid set-piece in which Dombey's sister (one of in the chameleon's ultimate fantasy — trying to pass in a chosen profession after less Dickens's grotesques) has tried to bully her into activity in the than a week of induction. In the first programme, Taylor attempted to become an angry belief that she's exhibiting postnatal malingering, rather performance poet, Nobby Taylor. John Hegley advised than that other condition known as dying. We've had the recruitment of a wet-nurse, him to wear a cravate and be left-wing. A hilarious Arthur required to relinquish all contact with her own family and, like a black slave, to be forcibly Smith counselled him to say "thank you" at the end so that the audience would know that renamed. And we've heard the he'd finished. One expected abduction of Dombey's first and neglected female child, Taylor's final effort to satirise performance poetry so that he Florence, by the menacing Mrs Brown (terrifically played by Avril Elgar), and her eventual himself would escape being the butt of satire. But have-a-go Taylor couldn't resist doing it Some of the time, here, Dickens sounds a little like a Victorian Penelope Leach: one has to remind oneself that a

for real at the London Poetry Festival, though he aspired to the humorous rather than the angry. The punters judged him a success, and the series itself is a delightful little deflater of professional vanity. Next week: among the original, picking out Taylor the cosmetics salesman. Garth Cartwright grudgingly admires Kenickie at the Water Rats, London



The sensation

HE over-heated state of Brit-pop at the moment suggests that anyone young, pale and tunefully noisy is offered a recording contract. When Supergrass first played in London the time queueing to retrieve your spent coat from the cloakroom was longer than their entire performance. Ash's recent main stage debut at the Reading Festival demonstrated that these aspiring adolescent superstars have achieved platinum sales without yet mastering their instruments.

Kenickie are the latest and voungest addition to the teenage rampage. Their London debut showed them to be as noisy and ambitious as the rest of the pack. Talent? Forget it that's why record companies employ produc ers. Youth and attitude are the essentials for Britpop and Kenickie have a surplus of both.

Most of the band are not yet old enough to buy a beer at the bar. Their line-up consists of three 16year-old convent school graduates and a male drummer who, at 21, must feel pensionable. The name is taken from the timeless teen musical Grease — though three-quarters of the band weren't born when that came out. Signed to EMIdisc, their single Punha has entered the charts at number 34 and, with an appearance on the Big Breakfast yesterday and a Radio 1 Evening Session next week, they are moving very rapidly indeed. Striding on stage to a capacity

audience, the Sunderland sirens played with an sudacity that belied their inexperience. With their rough harmonles, cheeky vocals and fuzz guitar. Kenickie could be the offspring of the Shangri-las and The Buzzcocks. What makes up for their lack of musical competence is their summation of the teenage experience

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from the sky, the fairy kingdom

fares almost as well. The sprite set-

pieces become song-and-dance moments of incorressible beauty

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Talent is no object ... Lauren Laverne backstage at the Water Rats

- with all the raging hormones. arrogance and gawkiness that implies. This is Bratpop, and its celebration of everything adolescent could lead Kenickis to a potentially huge audience.

Vocalist Lauren Laverne lends the band focus with her broad chuckle and comic chiding. She demands applause from the (mainly male) audience after a

song finishes — and gets it: they respond with such enthusiasm respond with such enditstand that pogo-ing breads out in front of the stage. The shared energy, and excitement generated between band and audience are reminiscent of the heyday of punk. As are the band's cynicism (one song is titled Kull Fantasy) and

a band was more worthwhile than finding a cure for cancer --- which is the kind of thing that only the very young or the very stupid can get away with. For now, Kenickie are very young and, with a host A-levels and a major recording deal, not so stupid. If they manage to land an audience before the Brit-Laverne's way with a soundbite pop bubble She recently claimed that being in your sons. pop bubble bursts, well, lock up

Fiachra Gibbons explains how the Muppets changed the world **Miss Piggy, the martyr**

The comeback

NTIL she was revealed as victim of sexual stereotyp-ing of the most swinish kind, I'd always put Miss Piggy down as a typical older sister, thumping you in the shadows while coming over as sweet as syrup in front of the grown-ups. Unreliable memories. That's the danger of reviving childhood TV.

Captain Scarlet is shown up as shallow and vain and Hugh, Pugh and Barney Mulgrew are not quite

thought. Watching Muppets Tonight (BBC1) — resurrected after 15 years in the Howard Hughes Memorial Hollywood deep freeze — I now realise Miss Piggy was an early feminist martyr, a solitary woman surrounded by weak and mendacious males dead set on smothering her super nova to star-dom. It's shaming also to realise how misplaced our sympathy for

Kermit the Frog was. Anyone who took such trouble to repel a woman like Piggy must be con-

cealing something at the bottom of the intellectual titans you had once the pond.

Yet the Muppets have emerged from the dry ice as cultural giants. As a kid, I never thought they were all that funny. So I didn't expect almost to wet myself laughing at their reincarnation. Now I realise most of it went whizzing over my head. Then it came to me - The Muppets Had Changed The World. These lumps of foam and fur are the Stealth bombers of satire.

They set the template for today's goes on, the pastichers pastiche themselves. culture of parody, spoof and sendup. Jim Henson came to this coun-

try with his puppets in the seventies and returned to America with a deadly virus called pastiche which was to fester into David Letterman and Saturday Night Live. The virus ran riot through the irony-free heartlands until it became the essence of the epoch. There would never have been a Tarantino without Animal, nor a Raymond Blanc without Hurleburdebur, the Swedish chef. Parody became reality When the history of the final decades of the nillennium are written, events will be weighed up on whether they were pre-or post-Muppet. The new Muppets Tonight! paro-dies its own offspring by being a send-up of Letterman and the Jay Leno Tonight shows. The jokes

The Muppets get away with things no American comic could. Gonzo has walked straight out of the Lew Grade-Jewish-showbizschmoozbiz caricature: Clifford the new dreadlocked front man is a West Indian "baby father", run-ning a string of girlfriends; all the rats have New York accents. Bay of Pigs Watch, their send-up of Bay-watch. is the sharpest yet. But their biggest in joke is still their best — the celebrity spot has spread like scabies through TV and newspapers since they first sent it up 20 years ago.

Of course no one outside the loop of American popular culture would get the Muppets. But then anyone who doesn't subscribe to US Kulture Inc doesn't matter. That's sometime which still whizzes over a lot of heads.



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Motor Racing

Spin doctor Hill looks on **bright side**

Alan Henry at Monza

HE PRESSURE continued to mount on Damon Hill when he could finish in only seventh place during yester day's free practice for the Italian Grand Prix.

liams-Renault team-mate Jacques Villeneuve, was two places ahead with Michael Schumacher taking provisional pole in the Ferrari much to the satisfaction of the

a crisis in confidence, insisting that he was still in the right frame of mind for tomorrow's race which could clinch him the championship. A spin in the opening ses-slon, however, suggested at least a tightening of the

be replaced by the German Heinz-Harald Frentzen for next seaso

The British driver had completed nine laps when he lost control at a tight left-hand corner, ran into the gravel and spun before coming to a halt on the edge of the circuit. forcing other drivers to swerve past him.

At the end of practice Hill said calmiy: 'I am pretty pleased with today as I have got a good set-up but we will have to work hard and find a bit more time if we are going to beat the opposition.

"It is not easy to get an advantage on a circuit like this as everyone runs minimum downforce and there is not a huge difference between all the engines these days." Villeneuve was not inclined

to worry about a team-mate with whom he has a distant relationship at best. The Canadian, who is 13 points behind Hill with 30 remaining McLaren.

on the board, said of the Frentzen situation: "What happened to Damon was as much of a shock to me as everyone else, but it's none of my business; it's his problem. 'My situation is clear for next season. I have got along pretty well with Damon and an Grand Prix. Hull's main challenger for he did a good job and thus will not affect our relationship. the drivers' title. his Wil- But we are all in this to look

out for our own thing and not someone else. It's between him and the team and we have not talked about it personally. "It can affect Damon in one of two ways - it can mouvate watching thost. Hill played down any talk of But if I think about it I'll get it wrong, so I just have to focus

on my own preparations Off-track the owner of the Benetton team Flavio Briatore gave a lukewarm reac-tion to a rumour that Hill reast a tightening of the of Jean Alesi. "Damon has nerves at the end of a week in not so many possibilities," he which Hill learned he was to said. "Benerton is all the formation of the formation is all the formation in the formation in the formation is all the formation in the formation in the formation is all the formation in the formation in the formation in the formation is all the formation in the formation in the formation is all the formation in the formation is all the formation in the formation in the formation in the formation is all the formation in the formati McLaren is closed. Ferrari is closed. He is not in good shape." At least Jordan were still providing an option. "We would be delighted to have Damon in the team," con-

firmed Eddie Jordan. Hill also received an oblique compliment from Schumacher, who normally settles for damning the Briton with faint praise.

"When Damon wins a race some people, me included, think 'well, how good is he?' So by changing to another team next year it offers him an opportunity to prove that he is better than some people might think. We might get a surprise in that respect and then we will know how good he is and how good is his car.' Frentzen finished behind Hill, with his fellow Sauber driver Johnny Herbert 10th Martin Brundle 11th in the Jordan and another Briton David Coulthard 12th in the

Bobby McEwen is also under

-Last exit . . . Stefan Edberg leaves the Grand Slam stage PHOTOGRAPH: RAY STUBBLEBIN

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Sampras uncovers the iron in his soul

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Stephen Bierley at Flushing Meadow

Tennis

HERE ought to be a whole separate language for words that are truer than other words, but in the sporting field adjectives such as memorable, courageous and su-perb have to suffice every time something out of the or-dinary occurs, be it small or

great The US Open quarter-final between Pete Sampras and Alex Corretja was a memora-ble tennis match right wards. 'Tm not sure there are any words in the dictionary for this.'' said Paul Annacone, enough.

Sampras, the No. 1 seed and reigning champion, has noth-ing of Andre Agassi's charis-matic crackle and spark on Sampras's coach, "Special people do special things." The match lasted more than four hours, beginning in mid-afternoon and going on well into the scheduled night sescourt; he is someone to be admired rather than taken to the heart (or hated, for that matter).

sion. Those who had paid to see Ivanisevic and Edberg found themselves waiting at Yet in his gut-wrenching 7-6, 5-7, 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 victory over Corretia one of a clutch the gates like small children of talented Spaniards, Sam-pras displayed such resilience and resolve, when his body denied entry to a grown-ups party Nobody, least of all Samwas screaming for him to stop, that any doubters could do mas, could have believed the nothing other than admit that this man is a true champion. He may not win this title, for Goran Ivanisevic played with such unbending disci-pline and fire to defeat Stefan Edberg, playing his last Grand Slam event after 54

consecutive appearances, that Sampras may find, as in the semi-finals at Roland Garros against Russia's Andrei Kafeinikov, that he simply does not have enough gas today, even though he has an excellent record in five-set matches, having now won 21 out of 28.

Nobody had given the 22-year-old Correta any real chance. His most notable prerious claim to fame was ending Thomas Muster's 40match winning streak on clay last year.

Rugby League

During the last agonisingly Sampras . . . true champion tense tie-break Sampras was

physically sick at the back of | encounter would be so dra. the court. The unpire. Cecil matic, although there were Hollins called a code violaretja was going to cause tion for delaying the match. problems The rules required him to do

Corretja was serving won-derfully well. Indeed, in the this; if he had defaulted Sampras he would probably have early stages he out-aced the

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American. The Spanish are At the end, having double-faulted to lose the match. Corfamed for their clay-court erpertise but a number of hard rejta wept. It was the best match of his career and the courts have been built in recent years and obviously worst, too. "I just cannot believe it," his barely audible they are benefiting. The first set went to a tie-break, which So exhausted was Sampras

Sampras won 7-5, but he im-mediately lost his service at that he needed two litres of intravenous fluids afterthe start of the second set and his troubles began The two had met three times

before, Sampras holding a 2-0 advantage with one walk-over. Sampras won 6-4, 7-5 on the red clay of Rome's Foro Italico in 1993 and again at the same in 1993 and again at the same venue a year later, although on this occasion Corretja man-aged to take a set. Some believed that Edberg

had taken on other-wordly powers and was about to turn the clock back four years and win the US Open title for a third time. But his victory over Britain's Tim Hennen proved his last hurrah. The Croatian Ivanisevic can rarely have been more in-

tensely focused. "I know very little more about Stefan than that I knew. 10 years ago," said John McEnroe. He's just a private guy. Never a fuss. Just some real solid tennis,"

The taste and civility ticket is not much played at Flush-ing Meadow but Edberg went out with grace and dignity -a far cry from the previous night's fist-pumping Ameri-can louts who taunted Muster to the point of exasperation. Ivanisevic knows he should have won the Wimbledon title this year. With so many seeds having been scattered, the

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path was wide open but he lost to Australia's Jason Stoltanberg. Perhaps the time has finally come for him to win his first Grand Slam title. But do not bet on it. Injury to Joynt gives McVey his big chance Derek McVey they have a first-grade football in Sydney highly capable replacement he arrived here a bit of an who was inspirational in his unknown and, in some respects, that worked to his dvantage. Wigan have not failed to win a trophy since 1984 and

Sport in brief

Equestrianism

Mary King on Star Appeal and the American Bruce Devidson on Squeich shared the lead after the dressage phase of the Burghley Horse Trials yesterday. writes John Kerr. Late in the day Davidson, a team silver medallist in Atlanta, equalled King's over-night mark of 43.4. The best

Rugby Union suspension for tonight's return game, as is the de fenceman Mark Hazelhurst, fined 250 after being dis-missed for fighting.

Boxing Chris Eubank, the former WBO super-middleweight champion, is coming out of retirement to fight the Argentinum Louis Dionislo Barrara on October 19 in Cairo.

aby Unio

Blow for Leicester as Richards misses Bath visit the side, such as the scrum- |

Robert Armstrong **EICESTER's** Courage

half Austin Healey, will come under close scrutiny from the 15,000 home League encounter with Bath at Welford Road today crowd. most of whom have could hardly have come at a trickier moment for their new season. Australian coach Bob

paid a 75 per cent increase league win for 17 months. As for Gloucester, whose in membership fees for the coaching director Richard Bath, who clinched the Hill was criticised for field-

with a record 75 points Paul Fitzpetrick over Gloucester, could well cruise to another one-sided victory at West Hartlepool,

who have not managed a

ST HELENS, looking for their third major prize of the season when they play Wigan in the Premiership final at Old Trafford tomorrow, will be without their

side's early Super League games. He was particularly influential in the win over Wigan at Knowsley Road. Of late he has tended to be this game is their last chance used as a substitute but that to keep an unparalleled re-

Loch Aian and Terry Boon on Vital Decision to earn flith and sixth places. ICE HOCKEY The BIHA yesterday rejected an appeal against a two-game ban by the Kingston Hawks coach Keith Millhench and fined him £100. with a warn- ing on his future conduct, for verbally abusing the referee	The United States will make a four-match tour of Wales, with one Test, in January. Cricket Steve Waugh was repri- manded and fined 30 per cent of his match fee, suspended for three months, for chal- lenging an umpire's ruling on wides in a World Series match in Colombo yesterday. Waugh was named Man of the Match after Australia beat In- dia to win a place in today's	get the Tigers into a win- ning groove. The clubs' meeting is often a pointer to championship prospects and Leicester. beaten at Saracens last weekend, will have to face the champions without their influential captain Dean Richards. The England No. 8 has an inflamed wrist and Rory Underwood will lead the side. Martin Johnson's brother Will takes Ri- chards's place.	win over Leicester in last May's Pilkington Cup final, weicome back their captain and centre Phil de Glan- ville, who has recovered from a shoulder injury. Competition for places is so fierce at The Rec — Wig- an's Henry Paul is set to make his debut against Wasps next week — that no Bath player can afford a mediocre performance in a game they are expected to	Quins, they will have a fam- liar full-strength line-up for the visit of Sale. Wasps tomorrow stage a historic London derby against Saracens at Loftus Road, the home of QPR. which will be hosting its first 15-a-side rugby union match. The London Sevens was played there on Astroturf in the late Seventies, an innovation that was never repeated because the play-	ward Chris Joynt. Wigan will be at full strength. Joynt was hoping to delay a knee operation until after the game but was advised yester- day to have it done immedi- ately. In addition to tomorrow he will also miss the first two sections of the Great Britain tour to Papua New Guinea and Fiji. Joynt hopes to join the party for the New Zealand leg. He is such a good player that Saints are bound to miss	has not diminished his enthu- siaam. McVey feels that his move to St Helens from Sydney Tigers has taken him from "poor house to pent- house" and he is enjoying every minute. The Saints coach Shaun McRae is confident that McVey can handle the big oc- casion. "We might miss Chris's work-rate and enthu- siasm but Derek has been one of our best players all year and he certainly thrives on the big-match occasion," said McRae. "Although he played	season in impressive form and at a ground where they have enjoyed so much success they might ruin Saints' hopes of a trable. In the divisional final Sal- ford will hope to spoil Phili Larder's final game in charge of Keighley. Oldham have transfer- listed nine players in an end- of-se uson clear-out including the centre Sean Irwin, the prop Ian Sherratt and the second-row forward Craig 	100-200 (1000) 100-200 (1000)
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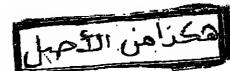
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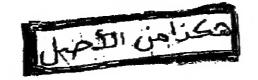
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SEDGEFFELD 2.28: 1, THE GALLOPUPHAJOR, N Smith (7-2); 2, George Ashford (9-4); 3, Destys Trail (14-1), 5-4 hav Cuchullains Gold, 7 ran. 4, 10, (Mrs M Reveloy) Tole: 84.60; 22.40, 17.40, Duel F: 64.80, CSF: 10.96, 2.85: 1, RED VALENZAN, Michael Sren-nan (2-1 hay); 2, Tough Test (7-2); 3, Strong John (11-2), 7 ran. 4, 11, (6) Moore) Tote: 52.50; 61.70, 52.00, Duel F: 67.40, CSF: 53.40, 3.26: 1, MALC ELOCAL E Callsynsh (5-2 inv); 2, Staligues Ford (5-1); 2, Crash-ing Front (4-1), 6 ran. 10, 7 (1) Jeitranni Tote: 52.60; 52.00, 62.30, Duel F: 65.31, CSF: C14.42, The Blue Boy Sinished 2nd, but disquelified for failing to draw the CA rect weight. 4.000 r, VAL DE RAMEA, P Nivers (10-11) inv); 2, Bayers Dramas (13-2); 3, Cardi-smith) Tote: 52.07; 11, 0, 11, 0, 65.20, Duel F: 64.70, Tric: 178.40, CSF: 65.87, 4.302 r, 54.402, R Garrity (5-2); 4, What's Secreto (9-1); 2, 3, Forgothan Em-mond) Tote: 64.10; 51,60, 52.20; 11.20, Duel F: 50.00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, Duel F: 50.00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, Duel F: 210,00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 50.00, Filo: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 50.00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 210,00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 50.00, Filo: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 50.00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 210,00, Tric: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 50.00, Filo: 20.00, CSF: 22.30, E1.20, Duel F: 210,00, Tric: 20.00, CS 2, Tawatti (5-4 fav); 2, Genesis Four (14-1). 16 ran. 1%, 7 (J Jahrson) Toto 11.60; 52.50, 51.40, 52.90, Dual F: 53.40 Trio: 515.10, GSF: 518.70, NR: Sacond

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Ron Cox predicts a home and away double for David Loder in Group One company this weekend

Lucayan Prince can clean up in sprint

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autumn campaign. The stable's two-year-olds have carried all before them in recent weeks and Bianca Nera travels to The Curragh Nera travels to The Curragh He travelled strongly tomorrow with a major throughout the Newmarket chance in the valuable Moyglare Stud Stakes.

Group One success also beckons at Haydock this afternoon, when the Loder-trained Lucayan Prince and Blue Duster mount a power-

ful challenge for the Haydock Park Sprint Cup. Lucayan Prince, the mount of Frankie Dettori, may not have been the equal of Blue Duster last year, but he looks

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 Loder's stable is rev-ving up for an all-out
 The 50-1 winner of the Jer-sey Stakes at Royal Ascot, Lu-beaten a similar amount by
 Miesque's Son, who was

 cayan Prince moved into the Anabaa in the Prix Maurice premier league of sprinters de Gheest at Deauville. Trained by John Hamwith an eye-catching second to Anabaa in the July Cup.

mond, who has won two of the last five runnings of the Haythroughout the Newmarket race and it was no disgrace to and Cherokee Rose, Miessuccumb to the finishing speed of Anabaa, winner of all his six races this season and indisputably the best sprinter que's Son is a late maturing type of whom the best is yet to be seen. Blue Duster, only fifth be-hind Missgue's Son at Deauin Europe. Lucayan Prince finished clear of Hever Golf Rose, Ikta-

ville, appears not to have trained on, but Lucayan Prince (3.30) has already left his two-year-old form a long way behind and with no Anabaa to beat he can confirm Newmarket promise.

repaid with interest. Bianca Nera is by Salse, who is proving a strong influ ence for stamina, and the

Lowther Stakes winner seems sure to benefit from the seven Arcthusa (3.45), beaten a neck into second spot by

Bianca Nera at York, can up-hold the form by winning the Sirenia Stakes at Kempton today. The September Stakes

promises to be a cracking race. Sacrament, returning from a lengthy absence, Go-dolphin's Cezanne and the

Nera (4.15) paid £12,500 to supplement the filly for tomorrow's Moyglare Stud Stakes. The outlay should be hold off all-comers. Only an inspired ride by Frankie Dettori on Annus Mirabilis denied Salmon Ladtest, which should decide the best French three-year-old miler of 1996. The trio dominate a field of

der in the Winter Hill Stakes at Windsor last time. nine which has no British Although the handicaps at representative but also in-cludes Vetbeuil, Shaanxi and Grey Risk, who finished second, third and fifth to

shows just what Fairy Knight was up against when he chased home the Queen's colt at Epsom. Ben Hanbury has with-

Connections of Bianca | Luca Cumani-trained Ela- | row's Emirates Prix du Mou-

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Kempton look decidedly tricky, Fairy Knight (4.45) should be worth an interest. The ease of Arabian Story's win at York earlier this week Spinning World in the Prix Jacques Le Marois at Deau-

ville last month. Ashkalani, reunited with regular rider Gerald Mosse and well suited by the prevailing fast ground, can get ba

drawn his Irish 1,000 Guineas winner Matiya from tomor-row defeat at Royal Ascot.

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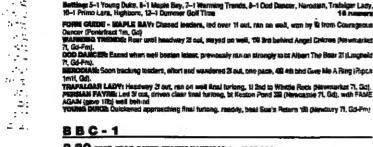
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• Cigar has become the target of renewed Japanese interest with an increased offer to buy the American superhorse for \$30 million. The bid represents a 50 per cent increase on the \$20 million originally offered. Cigar's owner, Allen Paulson, said: "I've not said yes or no at this point and I will race him through to the end of the year, with the horse taking in the Woodward Stakes, Jockey Club Gold Cup and Breeders' Cup Classic Then we will take it from there " Classic. Then we will take it from there."

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8	211-111 P	ETER MONANY (12) (CD) M Page 4-10-7	
Ī,	PPP_411 R	AVEN'S ROOST (14) G Jones 5-70-0 Lionamy, 3-1 Royal Thimbis, 4-1 Re Rot, 6-1 Shook	9-1 Fine Thyne, 12-1 Windward
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4.55 HARTSHO TOR SERVICES LTD (WALSALL) IPCAP CHASE 2m H 1 1074 C3,704

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04122-4	LOWAWATHA (84) Mrs E Heath B-10-6
75UF-	REX TO THE RESCUE (152) A Alner 5-10-3 P Heating (5)
10664-8	SHREWD JOHN (55) (D) R Woodhouse 10-10-0 H Derrer
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5.25 BEED GROUPAGE SERVICES (OLDEURY) HEF HOVICE HURDLE 2m 110yds C2,318

1 473-121 SCAMALLACH (18) Jenkins 5-11-0 G Bradley *
2 P5 BOYO (9) T Easterby 5-10-12
2 3- DACIDIO (127) O Sherwood 5-10-12 J Oxborne
4 38- MR LCROFT RIVERIA (159) R Alner 5-10-12
5 SEG- SMART LORD (152) J Bosley 5-10-12
6 CO- ALBERT THE LICH (190) J Neville 4-10-10
7 01/262-2 AMABRANCH (21) (BF) J Jefferson 5-10-7
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THE REPORT

Bailey's bid	RACEUNI
ALAN BAILEY, the Cheshire trainer, sends Maple Bay to	0930 168+ COMMENTAR
Haydock (2.0) and My Gallery to Wolverhampton (8.0) today, both bidding for a ninth handi-	HAYDOCK 101 201 KEMPTON 102 202
cap victory of the season to equal the 20th century record held by Chaplins Club (1985 and	THIRSK 103 203 STRAIFORD 104 204
1988), Glencroft (1988), Star Rage (1994) and Vindaloo (last year).	W'HAMPTON 105 20

22 SPORTS NEWS

Soccer

Pleat cuts his cloth to suit the Wednesday

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worth Road.

Michael Walker on than anyone that praise offers no security. Despite that sucthe manager hoping

to stay in top gear against Chelsea

AVID PLEAT is a person of a specified level of skill He must be because it

says so in the dictionary. This particular definition is one of several of the "manager" and by way of explanation an ex-ample of common usage is helpfully added in brackets: ta good manager). Few would doubt that Pleat has earned his brackets.

Whenever Pleat's name Whenever Pleat's name crops up he is routinely referred to as a good manager and fans do not bestow this title lightly nor just upon those with silverware in the chairman's cabinet Pleat is in that mould of manager such as Dario Gradi at Crewe such as Dario Gradi at Crewe. Joe Kinnear at Wimbledon and even Alex Ferguson when at Aberdeen - men who have achieved something big at

somewhere small. Pleat did that at Luton Town, where in a low-budget environment he took Luton into the top flight and kept them there, and he may be doing something significant now at Hillsborough. Not that Sheffield Wednes-

day are a small club, for they are reasonably big, especially when compared to Luton, but not many expected Chelsea to arrive at Hillsborough today to face a side with the record: played four, won four.

Yet that is the case and Pleat is once again Manager of the Month. It is recognition he has not received for a decade, since his Tottenham side of Glenn Hoddle. Chris Waddle and the 49-goal Clive Allen went top of the league after three cames, eventually finished third and reached the 1987 FA Cup final.

The return of the spotlight is pleasing Pleat — "Belgian TV were here." he said yes The manager was pointing Trevor Francis at Birming-terday. But Pleat knows more to the new harmony within ham, others elsewhere, and

here," he said to the scores of reporters. "It's nice to have had the attention again." It was a smaller press gathering (five) that greeted Pleat in Sheffield yesterday, a turnout that suggested the country has yet to take Wednesday's rise seriously.

Pleat played down any talk of raised expectation. "If there is on the outside, then I don't feel it because I'm cocooned in here but it's nice that we've started well."

They have been useful scalps too, Aston Villa and Leicester at home, Leeds and Newcastle away. "I didn't say we were confident about the

first four." he said, quietly confident. "But for better or worse we've got a marriage."

cessful start at Spurs Pleat was out after one season was out after one season following unproven accusa-tions of kerb crawling. "I wouldn't mind if it were all true," he has said of the allegations. "Then I might understand what happened. But there was no proof, noth-ing factual whatever, yet mud sticks." After that there was a possibility of a job in Greece with Olympiakos but Pleat instead found rehabilitation with Leicester City. However, in four seasons at Filbert Street he failed to repeat the promotion feat and five years ago, at the age of 46. Pleat was back where his playing days had ended and his management career had begun - Kenil-After White Hart Lane it was relative obscurity per-haps, but within three seasons Pleat had blended an-other swift side that surprised more than West Ham and Newcastle on the way to the Cup semi-final. Pleat was up against today's opponents Chelsea and their manager by then, Hoddle. Luton lost 2-0 but afterwards Pleat was positively glowing in the renewed limelight. 'It's nice to be back

First among equals . . . David Pleat has masterminded four victories to put Wednesday in pole position SIMON WILKINSON

the club after a "quite trau-matic"_end to last season, when Wednesday went into the last game at West Ham with relegation still a possibillty. They drew 1-1. The previous match had

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been a 5-2 home defeat by Everton: "I've never known a dressing room like it. They didn't seem concerned." The summer needed and brought changes. mainly be-

hind the scenes. Six backroom staff left, three to join

Pleat recruited people he knew. Silky Ricky Hill is now responsible for the youth team and Peter Shreeves, another former Spurs manager, is in as coach.

Pleat said: "If we can't get on with each other, then it's

Of last season's atmosphere

them to a new club. Some afternoon but Shreeves, ties." The good r clubs won't let you do that." released by Chelsea during show those later.

pact in a harder-working Wednesday team.

the summer, is well up on the Londoners. "Obviously their tactical formation is one I know well, having laid the foundations of that at the club. It will be a big test for us." Pleat agreed but added: "We've coped with every game so far and in eight halves of football we've had knew he was a good player halves of football we've had last season" — and Regi four decent ones where we've Blinker have all made an im-There is a danger that people could under-estimate us be It is first versus third this cause we have other qualiafternoon but Shreeves, ties." The good manager will

Tottenham's Darren Ander

ton has denied he spat in the

gested I spat in his face. You

would need to be on drugs to

Bryan Richardson, the

chairman of the Premier-

shin's bottom club Coventry

has denied that Ron Atkin-

son's job is on the line.

There is no crisis or talk of

spit in Vinnie's face."

The Guardian Saturday September 7 1998 The Arsenal Stadium Mystery



Martin Thorpe

gramme, club magazine or official quotes. He is referred to only as "the

new manager

replacement for me".

if I don't do it week in week out for my club, I wort get picked for my country. It really is as simple as that." Is this why they call him a genius?

The biggest lesson I

learned last season," seid Matthew this week, "is that

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RSENAL are so wor-ried about upsetting Grampus 8 by pub-licly admitting that Arsene AVING sold Shearer Wenger has agreed to join Blackburn do not have them while he is still under their SAS any more. But contract in Japan that the Bradford City do - Marco Frenchman has become a non-person at Highbury. The name Wenger is con-spicuous by its absence from the match pro-Sas. a defender signed from Breda in Holland.

YES, it is crude and in bad taste but an ana-gram of David Ginola is vagina dildo.

new manager". The clampdown follows recent lapses by Arsenal officials who have admitted GRAEME DARLING is a Newcastle fan and manager of a local garden cen-tre Dobbies. So he thought it would be a great idea to

that Wenger is "the new manager". This despite yes-terday's admission by Wenger himself that "I want to be free from my sell Magpie pansies — three black, three white. Until last week when a Sunderland fan came in and suggested that Magpie contract sooner or later but. as I understand it, Grampus 8 have not got a pansies seemed pretty ap given Newcastle's start to While they wait. perhaps Arsenal should set up a live the season. So imagine Graeme's elation at Newvideo link between Japan castle's midweek win over and the Highbury dressing-room and dug-out so "the new manager" can take team talks and make subtheir big rivals. Now he is waiting for the Sunderland fan to come in again so he can tell him all about a mirstitutions in games. But only if he wore a mask and acle cure for weeds.

was referred to as Mr X. DWIGHT YORKE has in-advertently discovered a miracle cure for ham-string injuries. Aston Villa after all we've got Alan Ball." Paul Edwards of Dar-lington reckons Oasis should now re-write the words to Champagne Supernova: "Slowly leaving down the hall, faster than an Alen Ball."

STRANGE but cruel: an anagram of Ray Wilkins — Is a Wrinkly.

the best hamstring cure is a week in Trinidad. Doug Ellis may not be convinced. S Matthew Harding guaranteeing the future of Chelsea but only covering the costs of labour?

S0. AFTER all those newspaper column inches analysing why Mat-thew Le Tissier was not playing for England, what was lacking in his game, why Terry Venables thought Le Tiss was a miss.

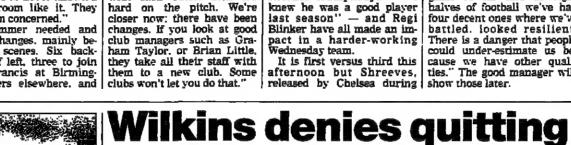
AST season Manchester City fans were handed song-sheet produced by Oasis containing alterna-tive lyrics to Wonderwall, including the chorus: "And

were angry when Trinidad and Tobago insisted on the player travelling to a recent intérnational even though the injury meant he could not play. Yorke was even due to miss Villa's next game at Everton. But Yorke returned from the Caribbean completely recovered and is telling

other injured players that GETTING ready for the 2002 World Cup? Then you might need these football phrases which appear in the Japan World Cup Web Site. Or not. "Kon-nitiwa" it says is "Hellow". "Kittpu itimai kudasai" it

says is "please give me a peace of ticket". "Yatta" is "He did it!". "Tukae-nai" is "He is not a man". Si*n*j*ma!" is "Kill him". "K******** is "son of why Terry Venables thought Le Tiss was a miss. the player himself has come up with the answer. of London).

Scottish preview Smith calls for



Pleat seems mightily relieved to be in full control off the pitch so that he and Shreeves can fully concentrate on matters on it. Playing personnel have also been changed and Scott Oakes. Wayne Collins, Andy Booth, Ritchie Humphreys - "I

brave reserves

Patrick Glenn

T iS difficult to escape the feeling that the Old Firm have transformed the Premier Division into a kind of alternative snooker tournament. There is simultaneous play on two tables but Rangers and Celtic are already contesting the final on one while the rest vie for the minor places on the other.

Tommy Craig, the assistant manager of Aberdeen, said at paign, Smith has had to rely the beginning of last season on the character of others. H that the Dons would have to forget about Rangers and concentrate on winning our own league, which is separate from theirs".

Celtic's re-emergence has given Rangers more of a contest since but the other eight seent likely to be as irrelevant. as they have for a decade.

Rangers, who visit unbeaten Motherwell today, have delivered some unconvincing performances already especially in the immediate aftermath of European matches - but they have not been given sufficient credit for their ability to overcome bad days and win.

They sit at the top with three straight wins after Celtic faltered on the opening | the manager Tommy Burns.

day, drawing 2-2 at Aberdeen. Walter Smith, the Ibrox Park club's manager, is again having to call upon the resilience of his souad. The captain Richard Gough seems likely to miss today's match because of a damaged eye. Yesterday he looked as Performance of the week: Paul Merson (Arsenal), who though he had been knocked inspired Arsenal's recovery around a boxing ring.

against Wednesday. With two other first-choice defenders, Alan Mclaren and David Robertson, missing since the start of the cam

A N Other

Chelsea

has yet to be disappointed. Others who were left out of Wednesday's Coca-Cola Cup 3-1 win over Ayr United -Ally McCoist, Brian Laudrup and Stuart McCall -- will be reinstated.

Alloa on Wednesday.

for more than 20 years plied his footballer's crafts Celtic entertain Hibernian diligently and intelligently with Alan Stubbs, the from moorland to race 23.5 million defender from course, with several changes of scenery in be-Bolton, making his home debut. There is, however, a doubt over the left-back Tosh tween. Twice he switched from white back to claret before moving south in the McKinlay who aggravated a knock in the 5-1 win over country of his birth. He then roved north again be-Celtic will be watched by a

fore settling in a robins' delegation from Hamburg in advance of Tuesday's Uefa Cup match in Glasgow. "We'd like to give them nest. Last week: Jim Montgomery (Sunderland, Southampton, Birmingham City, Nottingplenty to think about," said ham Forest, Sunderland).

nally issued by the club de-Martin Thorpe claring the parting mutual

> S MORE names are A linked with the mana-gerial vacance Queens Park Rangers, Ray Wilkins yesterday denied claims made by his former chairman that he bad

resigned the post. While the Rangers board met to discuss a successor -Chris Waddle and Steve Coppell are the latest names

being touted — Wilkins refuted Chris Wright's asser-tion in interviews on Wednesday that he had resigned.

"It was not a resignation," said Wilkins. "I have never IF EVER there was a case of walked away from anything or any challenge in my life, and I wouldn't start now. I a half-pint going a long way it is surely this 5ft 4in product of Port Talbot, who want QPR fans to know I wouldn't walk out on them."

was "100 per cent accurate". face of Vinnie Jones prior to the Wimbledon player's send-ing-off in midweek. I did Wilkins also denied he had left Loftus Road because the board had asked him to stop spit. yes. but not at him," said playing. "It had nothing to do with that," he said. Anderton. "Footballers spit all the time and, when I Whatever the truth, Wilturned to clear my throat, he kins is reluctant to go back ran into it. The spittle was on into management immedi-ately and is listening to offers his shorts. I think it is a disgrace that it is being sug-

as **QPR** queue grows

from inside and outside the game. He will hold talks with two or three First Division clubs early next week about playing for them. 'T've had a lot of inquiries

from some dear old friends and I'll be contacting them all next week. I want to play on for as long as I can at as high

ultimatums regarding Ron," he said yesterday. "and, if a level as possible." This begins today with a there are any reports suggestone-off match for injury-hit ing that, I don't know where Wycombe, managed by Wilthey have come from because He said the statement origi- kins's friend Alan Smith. I haven't spoken to anybody."

United make Pallister a career-long offer

ANCHESTER UNITED | pleted 10 years at Old Traf- | Europe two years ago. Batty's want Gary Pallister to | ford and be entitled to a tax- | stems from a clash with his spend the rest of his career at | free testimonial. Old Trafford. The England defender, recovered from a back injury and in good form, has been offered a three-year contract reportedly worth £1.5 million and with a significant suspension. Beresford's bonus at the end of it.

By then he will have com- Newcastle's last campaign in already served half.

stems from a clash with his former Blackburn team-mate David Batty and John Graeme Le Saux in the Cham-Beresford must miss Newcaspions Cup tie with Spartak Moscow last November. Batty was not dismissed nor even on Tuesday night because of

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booked for the incident but Fifa insisted on a two-match suspension, of which he has

Team sheet

Aston Villa v Arsenal Both teams are likely to go into this game without their first-choice goalkeeper. Vil

beil, who has a hampting problem. The could provide a rare chance for the trane fer-listed Jeson Loe. Levcesser's manage Martin C'Neil has a hill-strength squad lan Marshall looks set to stay on the bench, with Garry Parter and Muzzy Izze vying for a midlield place.

Sheffield Wed v Cheisea Scoreboard

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Wednesday awail late fitness tests on the Wales multielider Mark Penturkings and de-fender Des Walker Frank Leboeul pould be missing for Chelson but they have David Lee as a ready-made replacement in the sweeper's role.

Both teams are likely to go into this game enhout their first-choice goalkeeper, Vil-la's manager Brien Liffe is waiting on Mark Bosnich to prove his timess before naming his side but the Australian remains doubtul and his deputy Michael Qabre is porsed to continue. A resnal are again likely to be without the England goalkeeper David Seaman, who is still having treatment on a hamstring mury sustained on international duty. Strve Bould is very doubtul after collecting an injury against Chesse in midweek. Loods y Manchester Utd **Tottenham v Newcastle**

Andy Cole could be drafted into United's squad for the first time this season but Roy Keans and Phil Neville ure still absent Leeds wit be without Brian Deans and the long-term injury visim Tony Yeboah up Atian Nieisen is confident of sheior Allan Neesen is connoem of answing on a dead-leg injury in time to make bit White Hart Lane debut. Spurs' manager Genry France is cell without the strikers Teddy Sheringham and Chris Armstrong and the defenders Gary Mabbutt and Dean Austin. Kevin Keegan has no injury worries and is erpected to name an unchanged Newcas-tie add.

Liverpool v Southampton

Eddlesprough v Coventry

Notim Forest v Leicester

Graeme Souness returns to Anfield for the first time since the end of his reign as Liverpool manager, Dave Beasani is back in the Southampton goli bui the defender ken Monkou is still unfit. The tormer Liver-pool midfielder Barry Venison misses a chance of lacing his old club after the recurrence of a long-standing back injury. The Czece Republic's Parit Berger, a C3 million summer signing, is likely to make his Liverpool debut, probably as a subsh-ute. He scored for the reserves last week and impressed throughout. Jamie Red-Wimbledon v Everton

Dean Holdsworth, Wimbladon's unsettled striker, is again left out of the inne-up as the home side are expected to be un-changed. Everton's manager Joe Royle will wall for fitness checks on Graham Stu-ari and Earl Barrett before naming his side. The leenage striker Michael Brandt is on standby in cass Stuart does not recover and Marc Hotbger, the Swiss In-ternational full-back, will replace Barrett if he is not til.

Note, He scored for the reserves last week and impressed throughout. Jamie Red. Knapp is also on the verge of a recall atter recovering from a knee injury and Stave McMamanan and Robbie Fowler have recovered from back injuries. TOMORROW

Sunderland v West Ham

The defenders Andy Melville and Martin Scolt missed training yesterday but are expected to be fit, with Peter Reid likely to try's centre-half Liam Daish is sus pended to lowing his dismissal at Chelser wo weeks ago, with Brian Borrows avourts to step in. Middleabrough will bu unchanged from the ande that beat Wes expected to be mi, with Peter Reid likely to name an unchanged Sundarland side. West Ham's manager Harry Reidinapp must decide whether to start with like Dumitrescu or Stan Lazaridis on the left, while Marc Rieper, II it, a likely to replace Sieve Potts in delence. Reidinapp calls up the 49-year-old Peter Shitton to the squad having allowed the 25-year-old Australian tamper Sieve Moutone to Join Crewe on a month's Ioan

Notingham Forest, looking for their lirst wie al the City Ground this season, will be without their in-form striker Kevin Camp-

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NatWest Trophy final: Essex v Lancashire

Gooch stands between Lancashire and history

wickshire alone.

Mike Selvey runs the rule over today's finalists and finds it hard to favour Essex

T MUST be four or five j years since the mousta-chioed old fellow with the hangdog expression first told a press conference that there was not much petrol left in the tank. It must be pretty potent stuff, however, for there is no sign of Graham Gooch pulling over on to the hard shoulder just yet.

In Birmingham on Wednesday he scored the 127th cen-tury of his career, overtaking WG's total, and technically he remains the best around. Give yards for years and he is also probably the fittest. One would be unwise to bet on today being the last hurrah for the best English batsman

of his generation.

phone to John Emburey, his longest standing chum in the game, and wished him well in what was certain to be Embers' last big occasion. The story did not have a happy ending; Lancashire beat Northamptonshire, Emburey's last resting place, to the first trophy of the year. Today, no doubt after a reciprocal call from Emburey,

Gooch and the rest of the Essex team will be trying to than Warwickshire. Essex, on the other hand, have a record in Lord's finals prevent Lancashire extending history and, if form and expethat fails to do justice to the rience have a say, theirs will quality of the sides they have be no easy task. Six years ago, when David Hughes as captain was help-

produced over the last two de-cades. Though this is their seventh final in all, only two have been in the NatWest. ing Lancashire through some tough times, they became the And there have been only two Before the Benson and Hedges final Gooch got on the win both Lord's finals in the wins - the Benson and Hedges in 1979 and the

same season. Now Mike Wat-kinson's side are favourites to emulate that feat and become the most successful side in the history of knock-out gridkat. This is Langebierk cricket. This is Lancashire's 14th Lord's final and their and Glamorgan, neither of whom have won at Lord's, ninth in these matches, the latter record matched by War-

might envy. No one will be trying harder to redress the balance It is the 96th time they have than Gooch, whose century played a 60-over match — pre-cisely the same number as Warwickshire — and a vicput Esser on the road to their first title, but his side will be up against it. Despite a medio-Warwicksnire — and a vic-tory would give them an un-precedented six wins in the final, and 68 in all, one more cre record in the county championship, Lancashire

are a mighty outfit in these games, with depth in a qual-Their internationals include the England captain Mike Atherton, John Crawley, Jason Gallian, Neil Fair-brother, Graham Lloyd and Watkinson and the bowlers Peter Martin, Glen Chapple and not least Ian Austin, who won the Gold Award in the July final and was Man of the



Gooch, left and Atherton . . . England captains at odds

Match in the NatWest semidue to be selected on Monday. final against Yorkshire. Austin has a hamstring Irani knows he has no bette opportunity to display his strain, though, and Chapple a vares. toe injury. Should either be ruled out, Lancashire may Irani was given first shot at the England all-rounder spot

field Steve Elworthy, their rather low-key overseas this summer but events have tended to pass him by, his roplayer. Should he not play, we could see a rare contest in-volving no overseas player, Stuart Law still touring with Australia in Sri Lanka. bust batting let down by some indifferent bowling. First Mark Ealham overtook him and now it seems as if Adam Hollioake could do so as well. At this level, however, Irani

The presence of Ronnie Irani will add some piquancy to the match, however, since is a proven match-winner with a rock solid temperahe came through the system at Old Trafford before being ment. If a Gooch century would be the sentimental given his big break by Essex. choice, Irani might just be the Touring places are often opportunist to inspire Essex into halting the Lancashire juggernaut. As ever the toss clinched by a decent perfor-mance in the September final and, with this winter's party will probably decide.

SPORTS NEWS 23

County Championship Somerset v Derbyshire

Derbyshire off track

Devid Foot at Taunton

S Derbyshire slipped to third place, taking only 10 points from a drawn match, they reflected wryly yesterday on a placid Taunton track which had probably lost them the championship title.

Jason Kerr was Somerset's hero, and that after being "bowled" first ball. He was unbeaten at the close with a championship best 68 as Som-erset held out to finish on 296 with eight second-innings wickets down, the last of them falling in the final over. Derbyshire had taken their score to 322 for six before de-claring, rather later than some Somerset members felt was justified, to leave a target of 383 off 78 overs. Barnett finally went to a return catch

for 141 in 200 minutes and Jones contributed 74.

When Somerset responded, Prescothick chose not to offer a shot in the second over and three for 19.

return to his best form.

defiant stand with Turner for the seventh wicket as the Derbyshire bowlers tones and, none better than Cork, who shrugged off his hamstring byshire bowlers toiled away. problem and the tabloid hea lines in a revitalised spell of All day on the boundary fringes the rumour was rife that Andy Caddick could be thinking of a move to another county. He said: "I'm entitled to renegotiate the best terms I can." Somerset, for their part,

clestone and Lee briefly im-plied there was still time for a

few shots. Bowler, with little likelihood now of dinner invi-

tations from his former Der-

byshire team-mates, is not someone who will sacrifice hts wicket willingly. He stayed for 207 minutes in

scoring 60 before being stumped down the leg side by Krikken. It was an example of

top-class wicketkeeping and

almost as dazzling was the

diving catch that eventually

Kerr came in and immedi-ately had his stumps rattled

by DeFreitas. But Kerr made it clear he had not been ready

and the umpire Tony Clark-

son agreed, although in the momentary confusion failed

to signal a dead-ball. Kerr proceeded to build a

dismissed Turner.

to persuade Alan Mullally to sign a new contract, one summer in an England dressing room being enough for the

cricket championship there are even more variables, the weather for one.

Surrey, meanwhile, could

They are playing with some thing of a swagger these days and their maximum-points victory over Northampton-

have a lot of self-confidence We just have to keep our feet on the ground. We can only be

the best county we have played I would vote for Yorkshire. They outplayed us in the championship, when Stemp and Vaughan bowled us out, and also beat us in the NatWest, when they ran very

"But even when we look like being out-gunned, as we did when we played against Essex, with Such and Childs on a turner, we have the character to come through.

highly successful stand-in for The visitors, needing 459

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Saturday September 71996 24 **TheGuardian Cup Final** The man who is Wednedsay fever **David Pleat** Lancashire at the top of close in on a the heap Lord's record 22 23 Wilkins hears The craft unchained now landing melody at the someone who can pass the ball and, as Wright and Mick Jag-Nursery ger would confirm, age is no barrier where the performing 10.5-1 arts are concerned No sooner had Wilkins's de-End parture been announced than the usual suspects had been NatWes 2 NatWest NatWest rounded up as possible successors. These people tend to have two things in common: John Duncan they have been recently em-ployed by Arsenal and they CC yesterday un-veiled plans for a £3.5 million media David Lacey have no intention of managing Manchester City. Had Maine Road decided, a centre that will hover menyear ago, to part company with Alan Ball on the grounds that it would be in the inter-T HAS not taken Chris acingly over the hallowed Lord's turf like the space-Wright long to get the hang of things. Queens Park Rangers used to be sponcraft in Independence Day. The membership will be ests of both parties to start ests of both parties to start afresh while the season was in its early days, City might not have been relegated with QPR. Francis Lee's loyalty to Ball, who has taken down more people than the Titanic, was commendable but misplaced. Now even Ass Hartford the sored by Classic FM and. asked to approve the Nurswhen they were sold to a pop music magnate this summer. ery End structure, which will have space for 250 journalists and broadcasthere was always the chance work is due to begin this winter and it will be ready for use in 1998 having been planned with the 1999 World Cur in mind that the club would perform to a different tune. But no. Ray Wilkins, who had managed QPR for two years. left Loftus Road on Wednesday to the accompani-Now even Asa Hartford, the Manchester City caretaker, is reported to have rejected the World Cup in mind. World Cup in mind. There are unlikely to be the arguments over ob-structed views there were when the new Mound Stand was built in the Eighties but the Test Match Special team may be disturbed to learn that the No. 13 bus will no longer be visible. ment of that old boardroom favourite. Oh We Don't Want To Lose You But We think You idea of managing the club long-term. Hartford might have a hole in his heart but Ought To Go. The new owner seemed sur-prised. According to Wright, Monday night's board meetnot, unless he changes his mind, in his head. THE ADDITTION of Ball ing had offered no hint of Wiland Wilkins to the unemployment figures provides another examkins's impending departure. By Wednesday afternoon, however. QPR had got suffiple of an enduring paradox. ciently used to the idea to denamely that the more success clare that "it would be in the best interests of both parties to start afresh while the season

Boardman's finest hour

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William Fotheringham sees a record shattered at the Manchester Velodrome

HEERED to the unpaced hour, for the second time in his career. After set-ting a world record last week "home" circuit, for 4,000 metres, Boardman

the greatest rider the sport has seen, who now produces Boardman's bikes, the Briton covered 56.375 kilometres, were regarded as unbeatable. beating by more than a kilometre the previous mark of 55.2911m set by Tony Ro-minger of Switzerland at the Bordeaux velodrome in No-Chris Boardman last night broke cycling's most prestigious record, the Watched by Eddy Merckx. Mexico in 1972. and proaching 35 mph.

were regarded as unbeatable. But yesterday Boardman was ahead of Rominger's split times from the first kilometre and rode with an almost un changing rhythm, never be-traying the effort necessary to maintain a constant pace ap

"I didn't think it was poss- | to be about 190 beats a second. ible," he said afterwards, "I Nothing was left to chance. The lights were dimmed in was very apprehensive. I was longing for it to end." Boardman paid tribute to the crowd, who cheered his the track an hour before Boardman started so that he would not be affected by the every pedal stroke. "I've heat and seconds before he never heard anything so loud. started water was sprayed over him.

Every time the cheers got The greatest challenge to ouder I went faster.' The hour makes its own the Briton came from his rad-particular demands of those ical "Superman" position. who would master it. There is arms stretched in front of his no respite. as there is when climbing a mountain or riding a time-trial on the road minger. So extreme is the pominutes. In a velo sition that Boardman's hands drome there is no chance to went numb during training. change gear or free-wheel even for a second to ease the Such was the pain that he had to risk losing time by changing position slightly in pain as lactic acid builds up in the body. the final 20 minutes. But that Any shift of position to allewas the closest Boardman viate the discomfort of holdcame to being in trouble in ing the same position risks a the entire 60 minutes -- testiloss of precious momentum, and there are the incessant Gmony to a performance that made cycling history. forces produced as the rider enters the bankings of the ve lodrome every six seconds or so. Boardman covered almost Guardian 250 laps, nearly 500 bankings. "It's going to be uncomfort able sitting down for a while but I can live with that," he said. The only rider to have taken the record in recent years without considerable coaching back-up is the eccen-Name tric Scot Graeme Obree. Address Such is the expertise of Boardman's coach Peter King, who masterminded his successful attempt in 1993, that the Briton knew that he needed to turn the pedals at

one, to be precise a midfielder named Ray Wilkins, who will be 40 a week today. The board felt that Wilkins. who made 15 Premiership appearances last season, should hang up his boots. Wilkins, for whom management came

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second to playing, clearly felt there was no point in staying if he could not perform. So he face, which gave him an aeroleft, boots and all. The pace of some matches might have started to pass Wildynamic advantage over Ro-

an England team achieve the less likely are their members to succeed in management Jack Charlton, Kevin Kee gan and Bryan Robson may be obvious examples to the contrary but they are exceptions. Of the side who won the World Cup in 1966, for example, Bobby Chariton and Bobby Moore dabbled only briefly in club management and, while Nobby Stiles, Geoff Hurst and Martin Peters stayed longer, their deeds were less stirring off the field. At least give Ball credit for perseverance. Of England's 1990 World

Cup side Peter Shilton and Terry Butcher have so far con-firmed the trend. Ray Wilson, Alf Ramsey's left-back in 1966. was wise to opt for a job with. more cheerful prospects. He

making urchases"



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Quiz answers (see page 14) 1. (b) Eric Cantona, playing the sopher in a new ad for Furnast 2. Demi M ore, ru at with child No 4. 3. The Pope: the car hadn't been out of his Vatican garage since 1978. 4. Faise: it app ed on a nev Church of England posters on a new Church of England poster, with the line: "You're a virgin, you've just given birth and now three kings have shown up." 5. (d) A depaness-owned glove 6. (c) Grace Machel, with who ent Mandela is enjoying an "intimate relat 7. Stormin' Norma Major. 8. Frank Bruno, forced to retire with eye trouble; Damon Hill, sacked by the Williams Formula One team. 9. Chelses director Matti 9. Chesses director matthew Harding, who has donated £1 million to the Labour Party. 10. Jominia Khan (née Gold-smith) who has had a range of spicy sauces named after her in Pakistan. 11. (b) Peter Hobday, moving Radio 3 after being secked from Today. 12. (c) Tiggy Legge-Bourke, nanny to Princes William and Har 13. The resolutely unfashion able General Lobed, celebrating the Chechen peace accord 14. A woman. Wendy Toms wa the first woman to refere al football match in Britain 15. (a) Eric Cantona How you rate: 0-4 Yous étes une sardine

5-9 Yous êtes un goéland

10-14 Yous ates up chatutle

15 Yous êtes Eric Cantona

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Kins by but, if this was the so criterion, the game would never have heard of Vinnie Jones, Anyway the wealth Wilkins accumulated in Italy and France has made him a free agent and he will carry on playing with Wycombe. Obviously his playing days are numbered but there will always be teams in need of

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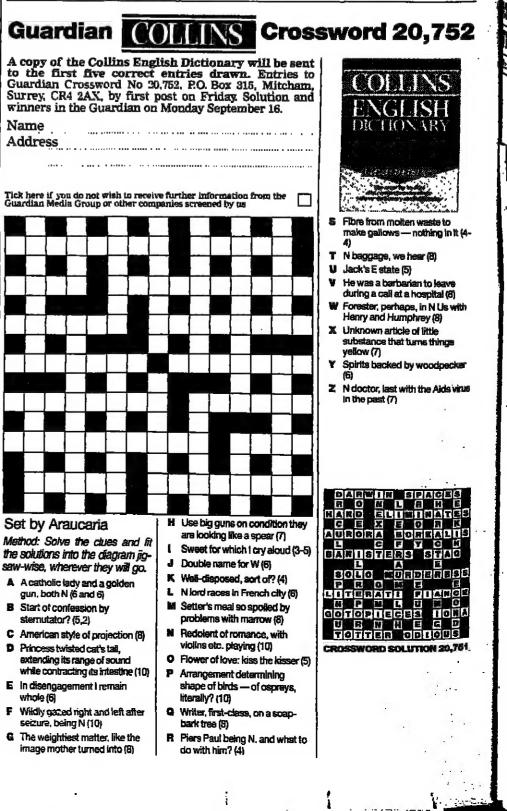
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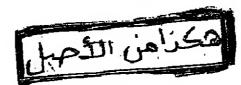
became an undertaker. Meanwhile, back at Loftus Road, a club owned by a pillar of the popular music industry and whose chief executive is a Mr Berlin must be regretting the fact that the England cen-tre-forward is called Shearer rather than Sbearing.

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